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NSL — TURN AGAIN!

THE NSL should adjust the current two division system rather than go for the planned 14 teams.

That is the scheme put forward by the level — headed Wollongong City official John Vlietstra, and it makes a lot of sense.

BY KEITH GILMOUR

"Some people claim that Soccer would lose credence by not proceeding with the fourteen."

"I say that it is better to lose a little credence and do the right thing rather than bury our heads in the sand," he

told us.

Vlietstra hit the nail on the head when he pointed out that it is foolish not to modify plans to fit the environment.

"If we had \$500,000 sponsorship guaranteed for each of three or four years then we could have a look at the 14 team scheme."

"Sponsorship does not come easy in spite of all the work put in by

league general manager Stefan Kamasz and no doubt consultant Martin Tauber.

"If we were that sale-

able a commodity we would have now had a major sponsor after nine months trying."

"It is now time to put up and act on an alternative proposal", he added.

ADJUSTMENTS

John Vlietstra rightly points out that cutting out ACT and Northern NSW, and Queensland in particular, makes it very hard for them to ever get back.

It is quite clear that in the NSL's 10 years full-time coaches, players and administration staff have been pruned right back in almost all cases.

The reason is obvious — the clubs can't afford the cost. In addition the huge travel oncosts are entirely non-productive.

The suggested scheme for the Northern Division would include 11 teams drawn from NSW, Northern NSW and the ACT and one from Queensland.

Similarly with the Southern Division there would be 11 Victorian clubs and one from Adelaide.

The travel component of the fees would fall more evenly than at present, with Queensland and South Australia the only clubs to be subsidised to a degree.

Promotion and relegation would apply for combined NSW, Northern NSW and the ACT and separately for Queensland if their club runs last.

Again Victoria and South Australia would operate along those lines.

RETAINED

The top five play-offs would be conducted in the Northern and Southern Divisions.

Losing them would be the biggest blot on the 14 team idea.

John Vlietstra favours the top two teams in each division playing off for the National Championship, i.e. the divisional grand final winners and runners up.

Two representative games Northern Division v Southern Division could be held with the best players of both Leagues appearing under the eyes of national coach Frank Arok.

That could develop into Soccer's answer to the State of Origin games in other codes and would become top

television fare as well.

It is suggested that the Southern Youth League he revised to make the competition more even.

In spite of any possible gain for some clubs in a 14 team competition and some rise in standards the fact is that clubs overall cannot afford a 14 team league.

We know how the one competition went financially last time, and how the 24 teams were introduced to overcome the financial deficit.

One firm step ahead is better than risking a gamble with the long-term future of the clubs and the game.

SOCCEROO 'CZECH' MATE

All the news on Page Three



ZARKO ODZAKOV of Australia sets up an attack as an opposing Czechoslovakian midfielder pursues him.

OIL DOLLARS — ALLAN JONES TO KUWAIT

BY FRANK COLETTA

NEW ZEALAND's Director of Coaching Allan Jones is about to take up a contract with Al Jahra FC in the oil kingdom of Kuwait.

Jones' contract with the NZFA had terminated and there were insufficient funds available to re-employ him.

He has been in New Zealand since 1979 and was in charge of the Kiwi youth team in Argentina in 1980 and took the national team on a tour of England.

Former Arsenal winger George Armstrong and Great Britain Olympic player Tom Law-

ence both recommended Jones for the post.

Armstrong coaches the Al Arabi club and Lawrence has also been involved in the area.

The contract begins in October but Joens could be on location by late August.

He has been Oceania technical director. It would not surprise if an Australian takeover this position.

CHOPPING and changing competitions has been part of the National Soccer League scene since the league began with a fanfare of trumpets ten years ago.

The move back into the one league competition is now the 'in' thing in the bid to improve standards, with perhaps promises of better crowds.

Over the decade there have been times of instability and also often an inability to live within the bounds of budgets. Some clubs have saddled themselves with almost unbearable debts.

Many capable observers and publications have either written or clearly hinted their concern over the 14 team scheme.

Others have queried the idea — or even hammered it — in private but have not come out in the open to state their clearly held beliefs.

Whilst the 14 team league idea could overcome certain present problems, it might well later be found to create others that are being pushed under the carpet.

There is a general principle of sound business practice and psychology which counsels moving from the known base gradually into the newer promotional area.

Otherwise stated, prudence often suggests using the firm foundation rather than jumping into what could either be the shimmering galaxy — or a void. The lemming syndrome is well known.

It is not too late to implement the type of fine tuning that is advocated elsewhere in this edition.

Having said this, if the National Soccer League finally does move ahead with the 14 team competition then AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY, as Australia's leading specialist Soccer publication, will be right in there promoting the sport.

Major up to date stories will be presented as they break.

What would come forward will be the NSW State Super League including Northern NSW and the ACT. Logically two Queensland clubs will be there to give it a complete East Coast flavour.

The Victorian State League would be the other main beneficiary.

This could prove to be the biggest benefit from a 14 team national league as its viability is undoubted.

There would be decreased operating costs for those clubs returning from the NSL and there should be no reason for them to drop the strength of their teams.

Even at this stage there are NSW State League clubs who can well and truly outdraw many of the NSL clubs and this advantage will grow rather than decrease.

There was a widely circulated claim that top State League players will be queueing up in droves to join NSL clubs at the end of the season.

Players will work out which clubs have long term viability without being pushed.

There is another factor to be considered when examining the future of the Super League along the east coast.

Does the NSW Soccer Federation as the lead managers have an arm that understands promotional and media requirements which is capable of doing the spadework that will lead to success.

BOUQUETS NOT BRICKBATS FOR INDUSTRIOUS COACHES

COACHES are usually the ones who get plenty of criticism throughout the season.

I think at this stage its worth looking at some coaches who, together with their teams, have done a top job so far this season and deserve some praise.

Looking at the northern section of the NSL, coaches who deserve special mention are MANFRED SCHAEFER of Sydney Olympic who has brought stability to the club as well as a team who have improved greatly this year and have in with a great chance of winning the title.

JOHN FLEMING of Wollongong City also deserves mention for, with limited resources, he has kept Wollongong in touch with the leaders and is hopeful of finishing in the top five



BY ALAN VEST

to clinch a place in the new 14 team NSL. In the southern section



MANFRED SCHAEFER ... still after title.



DRAGOSLAV SEKULARAC Cutting a snathe for Red Star Belgrade.

two in particular have done great things with their teams.

Firstly DRAGOSLAV SEKULARAC who has guided Footscray, a club that the tipsters were rating as certainities for their drop, to a great chance of winning the title. They've had a few imports, but also he's blooded some young talent as well.

ZORAN MATIC of Adelaide City has done a similar job to John Fleming, for with limited resources he's also kept the side in touch with the leaders and a great chance of at least having a side from outside the big two cities, in the league next season.

League their are a few who could warrant mention, but three who spring to mind are ALF STAMP at Manly, who in his first real season on the coaching front, has guided the team to the top of the league, and with a side with no big money buys.

DEIS FORD at Kuring-gai has continued his great work with one of the low spenders in the league and his moulded his team into

real championship contenders.

JOHN BINGHAM of Wollongong Macedonia has also done well in their first year in the top league and although they haven't been hitting the net too frequently has them organised well and in line for a top four spot.

There are others also who have done well for their clubs, in what must be the hardest job in the world.

CHARLIE WILL BE MISSED

It just won't be the same. The strange decision to remove affable Charlie Jurisic from his position as the physiotherapist for the Socceroo squad has robbed the sport of one of its great characters.

BY RAY GATT

The "Maestro", as he is affectionately known, was shattered recently when told that his services were no longer required for the senior side after years of loyal support.

Fortunately, however, he won't be totally lost. National youth team coach, Les Scheinflug, who is a great friend of Charlie's, has snapped him up for the youth team.

Still, this is little consolation for the man who virtually lives for his beloved Socceroos.

I understand there are quite a few senior players upset with what has happened to Charlie and there are a few rumblings of discontent.

As one person closely associated with the Socceroos said: "We will miss him. He is great for morale and always fun to have around. It is a shocking thing what they have done to him."

To know Charlie Jurisic, who is also the St George physio, is to understand what affect he has on the players — morale wise.

He always makes himself available 24 hours of the day for them. It is not unusual, when on tour, to go to Charlie's hotel room at 3am in the morning and see him giving players treatment

for injuries. You were always made welcome in his room anytime, which was invariably crammed with players. If they were not receiving treatment then they were there having a chat with the Maestro or watching television.

The players often would joke about Charlie's ample waist line. And, it was common for them to play tricks on him at the dinner table — like stealing his bread rolls, hiding his fork and knife or telling the waitress not to serve him because he was on a diet.

Charlie, who had a habit of leaving his hotel room door open just in case the players needed anything, would often come back to his room to find a huge chocolate cake sitting on his table.

Invariably, that cake would be gone by the next day with Charlie sheepishly claiming the players had helped him eat it! But, we always knew better, didn't we Charlie?

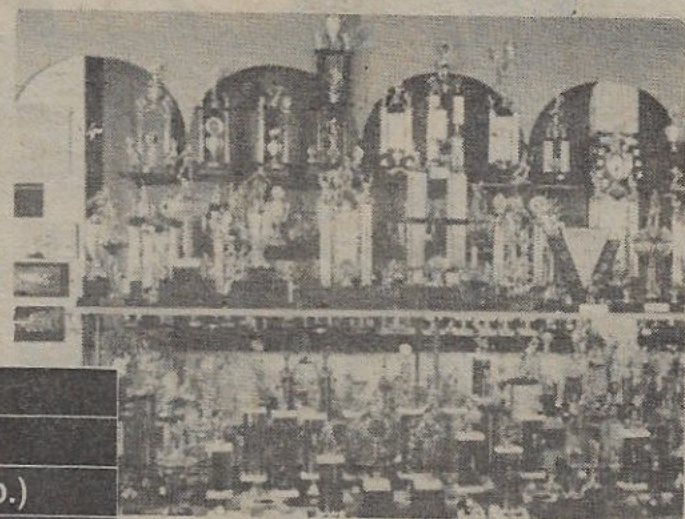
No, it just isn't going to be the same without Charlie Jurisic there anymore. Hopefully, the people responsible for removing him will see the folly of their mistake.



CHARLIE JURISIC — doing what he does best. Jim Patikas is the appreciative recipient this time.

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LAST GASP GRAHAM ARNOLD GOAL!

AUSTRALIA snatched a dramatic late goal to draw 1-1 with the visiting Czechoslovakian national team at Olympic Park on Sunday.

The Socceroos had been a goal down from the 54th minute of the game but to their credit they never gave up hope of equalising. In the end their goal was a just reward for their dominance during the last 20 minutes of the game.

At the after match press conference Soccer-oo coach Frank Arok was extremely disappointed with his team's first half performance but claimed Australia took the game right up to the Czechs in the second half.

Czech coach Josef Masopust believed his team had more chances

to score and highlighted the contrasting styles of the two teams. Interestingly he disagreed with claims that his players showed signs of fatigue and jet-lag from their long flight, which had seen them arrive just a few hours before the actual kick-off.

The game itself from the outset pitted a European style of combination football and quick counter-attacks with the more physical approach of the Socceroos, whose emphasis was on the long ball out of defence.

The first 45 minutes belonged to the visitors as they displayed de-

lightful skills — at times bewildering their opponents with their rapid team football.

In the 9th minute a goalmouth scramble nearly led to disaster for Australia but luckily Czech forward Lubos Kubik just failed to get his shot on target.

It was evident that the Socceroos were taking a long time to settle and they never really looked like threatening the Czech goalmouth in the first half.

In the 22nd minute from a John Kosmina throw-in Marshall Soper nearly scored what would have proved a spectacular overhead goal, but in fairness Australia was still lucky to be on level terms at half-time.

A mixture of poor finishing by the Czechs and solid defence by the Socceroos ensured that the teams went in 0-0 at half-time although it might have been different had referee Chris Bambridge awarded a penalty to the Czechs on the stroke of half-time when Kubik appeared to have been fouled in the area.

The first part of the second half saw the Czechs at their very best. Using the full width of the park they mounted a series of elegant attacks which had the Aussies reeling and defending grimly to withstand the onslaught.

The inevitable happened in the 54th minute when Josef Novak headed home from a cross by Karel Kula to cap off a period of intense pressure by the

Czechs.

Just three minutes later speedy Czech forward Miroslav Siva nearly made it two when he tried to chip Soccer-oo keeper Jeff Olver but his shot sailed over the bar.

After weathering the storm Australia managed to fight back. In the 61st minute from an Angie Postecoglou cross John Kosmina nearly scored but his header was well saved goalkeeper Ludek Miklosko.

The Socceroos then began to display their new found confidence and they now had an avenue to goal in young Chris Kalantzis who had come on to replace Robbie Dunn at the start of the second half.

Not only was Kalantzis causing problems for the Czechs with his skill and speed — he also effectively blanketed the frequent overlapping runs of right-back Stanislav Levi who had been so prominent in the first half.

The Socceroos were hungry for the equaliser and it was the Czechs' turn to defend and they succeeded in keeping the advantage even if it meant many goalmouth scrambles.

Surprisingly many fans began to leave early at the very stage when Australia really dominated.

In the 85th minute Kosmina turned brilliantly and drove in a shot which was again well saved by Miklosko.

Four minutes later the Australian captain was desperately unlucky again when his left-foot shot whistled past the post.

In the 92nd minute, just when it appeared Czechoslovakia had the game won, Graham Arnold capitalised on a defensive mistake and struck home the long-awaited equaliser.

Australia had managed a draw and had performed creditably against an extremely difficult opponent.

Coach Frank Arok's last comment at the press conference was very guarded when he said: "Every position is up for grabs still. The side is not settled by any

means so don't expect miracles overnight."

It will be a different line-up for the Adelaide match (tomorrow) and Arok assured pressmen that both Steve Maxwell and Sergio Melta of Adelaide City will be given the opportunity to represent their country for the first time.

AUSTRALIA: Olver, Postecoglou, Yankos, Jennings, Ratcliffe, Dunn (Kalantzis 46), Raskopoulos, Soper (Arnold), Kosmina, Murphy (Wade), Odzakov.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA: Miklosko, Levy, Flala, Novak, Rada, Hazek, Kocian, Kula, Siva (Konoflick), Luhovy, Kubik (Griga). CROWD: 6,000



BY CARLO DEL PORTO

TACTICAL ERROR

ON Sunday, with Australia playing three central defenders and two outside backs, they were caught out at first when they saw Czechoslovakia attack with three front runners.

That immediately left them with two spare men at the back instead of one.

Stopper David Ratcliffe was forced to push into the midfield to make the correction.

Australia's fluency and rhythm was understandably interrupted with the absence of Alan Davidson, Steve O'Connor, Joe Watson, Oscar Crino, David Mitchell and Jimmy Patikas.

But on Sunday, Zarko Odzakov and skipper John Kosmina shone brightly for Australia. And goalkeeper Jeff Olver left the pitch at full-time holding his head very high.

FUTURE STAR

WITH Australia's ace right-back Alan Davidson missing, South Melbourne's young, speedy defender Angelo Postecoglou could be a star of the future.

Strong, good with either foot, fast and courageous, Postecoglou with another half a dozen international matches under his belt could possibly settle into a quality international defender for Australia.



DAVID RATCLIFFE, makes a headed clearance.

CZECHS REAL VALUE FOR AUSTRALIA

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

CZECHOSLOVAKIA, as they did in 1980, did not disappoint Australian Soccer fans with their display against Australia at Melbourne's Olympic Park last Sunday.

In fact, the Czechs well exceeded all expectations and proved to be excellent value, showing that they are not in Australia for a holiday.

But be warned, the Czechs will prove to be far more difficult to handle over the next two matches in Adelaide and Sydney.

Last Sunday at Olympic Park, Czechoslovakia proved that they are highly skilled, attractive and an efficient unit.

They are an excellent sparring partner for Australia as coach Frank Arok begins his long road of preparation

for the 1988 Olympics, and culminating in the 1990 World Cup.

Czechoslovakia arrived last Sunday morning after a 26 hour flight, went to bed for five hours, got up and went to training. After a light meal they headed straight for the match to more than hold Australia in their 1-all draw.

Tomorrow night, with two days rest under their belts, Czechoslovakia will prove to be much stronger opponents for Australia when the two nations meet again at Adelaide's Hindmarsh Stadium in the Second Test.

OLYMPIC CANCEL THEIR CONCORD!

BY FRANK COLETTA

SYDNEY OLYMPIC have had to shelve any plans of moving their big OASL Round 18 match on August 17 against Sydney City to Concord Oval because of the condition of the ground.

Club president Tom Doumanis spoke to ASW saying: "The ground condition was just not good enough for such a big match. The surface was chopped up quite severely."

"It's a real shame too because the facilities there are quite impressive. Another factor was the acutal Oval shape of the ground, it would not suit the ball-players in our team such as Vicente Estavillo."

"What it means now is that St.George Stadium will host a double-header that day with the St.George-Blacktown on at 1.00pm and Olympic-Sydney City the main game at 3.00pm."

The reason for the poor state of the ground goes back to all the rugby played on it. Not only club matches but interstate and international clashes have been played on Concord Oval.

HELLAS — FOOTSCRAY — A REAL CRUNCHER

WITH time running out and the cut-off for the top seven due after only six more matches, the Southern Division is poised for a grandstand finish.

The seventeenth round comes up this weekend after the break for the Socceroo-Czechoslovakia match in Melbourne last Sunday.

And one of the most important matches is tomorrow week when Adelaide Hellas, in eighth place and fighting to make the top seven, takes on leader Footscray who came from nowhere this season to head the Southern section.

After being beaten 7-1 in SA against Adelaide City at the start of the season, Footscray have not looked back — although their progress has begun to show a few stutters.

At home, Hellas are confident they can sink the leader as the Victorians won only 1-0 at home in the seventh round.

Hellas reckon there time is now, while Footscray has had there

glossy.

"We have been improving over the last few weeks and there is no reason why we can't make the top seven," said Hellas coach Edmund Kreft.

"Provided we do not give away silly goals, we will be in the super league next year."

Kreft was alluding to their last game — against fourth-placed Heidelberg in Melbourne when Hellas led 2-0 against 10 men in the second half and finished up with a 2-2 draw, the last goal coming in the dying stages.

The Footscray match will be under lights at Hindmarsh Stadium,

with the Victorians under tremendous pressure.

Apart from this year they have been a disaster zone in the Southern Division, and the league from its inception.

They have to grab a title to prove they can make it in the super set-up.

Hellas has already been a champion — in 1978 — but also has had to replay for admission to the league.

Hellas go in against Canberra in the Nanda Cup semi-finals on August 20 at Hindmarsh Stadium.

But their main concern is the league and that Wednesday game.

Footscray has shown signs of slipping with a draw against Brisbane City last time out, to lose top place to Melbourne Juventus, now back in the hunt for the Northern title.

Adelaide City also slipped when beaten 2-0 at home by Melbourne Croatia, making a late run for the top seven.

They are still third, but the SA side will be

battling to top the league and may have to be content to make the top five play-offs.

Heidelberg has had hiccups, as has Preston, but South Melbourne, the "Mighty Millionaires" are making a delayed charge.

George Cross is still a top seven possibility, while the Brisbane pair City and Lions look doomed and Green Gully has already been written off at the bottom of the table.

Adelaide City can do their local rivals a favour.

While Hellas is playing Canberra in the Nanda Cup, and the Socceroos are in against the Czechs in Sydney, City goes to George Cross.

A win there would not only boost City, but help Hellas in their quest to make the elite league next year.

A lot can happen in six games, but after two more rounds it should be a death and glory struggle with three teams out of the running.

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MCCULLOCH OPENS HIS SYDNEY CITY ACCOUNT WITH A GREAT DOUBLE

SYDNEY CITY, with Tommy McCulloch in top form, sent Canterbury Marrickville Olympic crashing to a 4-1 defeat at the Sydney Athletic Field, and at the same time sent out signals that they will be a real force to be reckoned with until the end of the League.

Confidence, unity, timing and unrelenting pressure all returned for last year's NSL Northern Division champions and they are now in a position to threaten to take out the double of the Nanda Soccer Cup and the Grand Final.

Left-midfielder, McCulloch, recently recruited by Sydney City, scored a glorious double and in fact could have had another two.

McCulloch opened the score-sheet in the 14th minute with an angled drive inside the box that flashed past Canterbury's goalkeeper, Ian Barker, following a nice pass from teenager Abbas Saad.

The first session was a dull, frustrating affair with very little entertainment being offered by either side.

However just seven minutes before "drinks", it was in fact Canterbury that supplied the best move of the match that looked all class.

BRILLIANT LEFT-BACK OFF INJURED

With Sydney City's brilliant left-back, Jean-Paul De Marigny suffering a severe stud injury to his ankle, Burin Zaimi raided 40 metres strongly down the right flank. Level with the box, Zaimi in full flight cut back a magnificent ball to his mate, Petar Zrilic.

Zrilic, who had back-up, hit his shot just over the Sydney City cross-bar.

De Marigny eventually was taken off by coach Mick Hickman just four minutes after the break and Robbie Hooker was brought on.

Sydney City was by now creating many chances but some wild shooting prevented the home team further goals. Their midfield of Joe Watson, Murray Barnes and Tommy

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

McCulloch was ripping Canterbury apart despite the visitors playing an extra man in the midfield.

Canterbury's Zaya Jebraiel, Bernie Godzik, Arthur Svinos and Nelio Borges wilted badly under Sydney City's sustained pressure over the last 20 minutes as the home side rattled in another three goals.

GOAL FLOOD

The 71st minute saw referee Roger Doneau award Canterbury a free-kick some 25 metres out. Zrilic slammed his fierce shot into Farina's head as Canterbury's captain Spyros Hantzis smashed a vicious 30 metre rebound just over Sydney City's cross-bar.

Spectacular action woke up the small crowd of 735 in the 75th minute when successive shots from Farina and Saad were blocked by Canterbury till finally McCulloch buried the third rebound into the net for his second goal with his new club.

A Farina cross saw McCulloch back-heel the ball along the goal-line till eventually cleared by the goalkeeper, Barker.

The 81st minute saw Farina at long last score a well-deserved goal. Farina stole possession from central defender John Radman just outside the box to score with a sizzling drive that left Barker stranded.

Five minutes from the end, Canterbury pulled a goal back when substitute flank striker, Rene Licata slung a perfect cross to the back post from the left touchline. Sydney City's goalkeeper Brett Hughes tipped the cross onto the cross-bar but Burin Zaimi, lurking on that second post, was on hand to nod the ball into the net.

With less than three minutes left on the clock, Farina scored his second goal when he knocked in his header from a well-judged corner on the right by midfielder Joe Watson.

McCulloch near the end found himself well inside the box but was denied his hat-trick when goalkeeper Barker blocked McCulloch's final shot with his right boot.

After the match a satisfied Sydney City coach, Mick Hickman said in the dressing rooms: "All our confidence and timing is rapidly coming back and we have a good chance to do something in the Top Five Series. I believed we had to be patient and the goals would come."

An elated Tommy McCulloch said: "My confidence is coming back and I was due for some goals as they are expected from me by Mick Hickman and Eddie Thomson."

An understandably dejected Canterbury coach, Dom Kapetanovic, lamented: "We defended well at first but towards the end too many of my players pushed up to score and left us bare at the back. Sydney City was the better team."

SYDNEY CITY: Hughes: Gomez, O'Connor, Robertson, De Marigny (Hooker 49th); Watson, Barnes, McCulloch: Farina, Lee, Saad.

CANTERBURY M.O.: Barker: Akoutas, Haniotis, Radman, Hantzis: Jebraiel (Licata 65th), Godzik (Fterniatis 80th), Svinos, Borges: Zaimi, Zrilic.

Referee: R. Doneau. Crowd: 735.

DE BRUIN DESPONDENT AS DEMONS FAIL TO FIRE AGAINST MONARO

BLACKTOWN CITY collapsed in the second half against Inter-Monaro at Gabbie Stadium and the 3-1 loss leaves them in a parlous position to make the 14 team cut-off point for 1987.

After looking the part for the entire first half despite conceding a goal only 15 seconds into the game, they squandered

BY KEITH GILMOUR

two chances that could have had them back in

the picture.

Overall Monaro's joint-coach Harry Williams was quite entitled to his comment that "the players are now believing in themselves and bringing in the results".

Apart from this win, in the second round they have drawn with APIA-Leichhardt, Canberra City, Sydney Olympic and Marconi after a poor first round.

Blacktown badly missed Gary Byrne, who was overseas on a business trip, Robbie Slater, Don Macleod and Peter Willis.

Having switched home games with Newcastle earlier in the year, they have only APIA to play at home as well as four away games to go.

The loss cut Blacktown coach Casey De Bruin to the quick. "How can you win games with a second half display like that?" he asked.

A move from the kick-off involving Tony Brennan and Marko Perinovic ended with Steve Winn following up a block by Barry Hoare to strike the ball home.

Blacktown, moving the ball around sweetly with Paul Kay always in the picture, struck back in the eighth minute.

Half a dozen players were involved before Kay dispatched his shot over the goal-line before the defence could hook the ball out.

Joe Carroll missed a golden chance to put Blacktown ahead in the 29th minute. He darted in to claim possession of a Brennan backpass but made nothing of his shot and ultimately Ricky Budini came in with a solid clearance.

Referee Terry Seacy calmed the players down with five yellow cards but overall there was no spite in the game.

Monaro were on the way to victory when hard-working Luchi Djordievski struck successfully from 15 metres out.

By the 55th minute Jeff Ainsworth was up inside Monaro's penalty box but he hit a metre wide from an excellent opportunity.

De Bruin tried a double change, with Brian Ellem and Paul Quarmby going on for Brett Thornthwaite and David Sharpe.

It did lift the play but not to the desired degree.

With ten minutes remaining Monaro right-back John Walsh swept past a couple of Blacktown defenders. He surprised Hoare when his cross, disguised as a perfect shot, flew into the net for a 3-1 result.

BLACKTOWN: Hoare, Knight, Bourke, Ainsworth, Denyer, Sharpe (Quarmby 75), Kay, Bradley, Sandy, Carroll, Thornthwaite (Ellem 75).

INTER MONARO: Hoszowski, Walsh, Galletti, Budini (A. Ambrosino 71) Titalis, Willox, Carbone, Djordievski, Brennan, Winn (Wotherspoon 83), Perinovic.

Referee: T. Seacy. Crowd: 755.



FRANK FARINA heads toward goal.

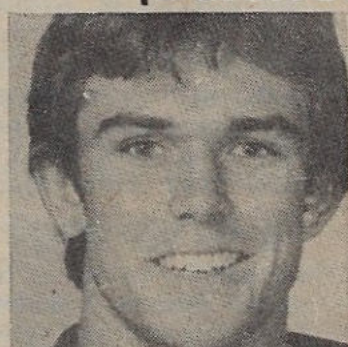
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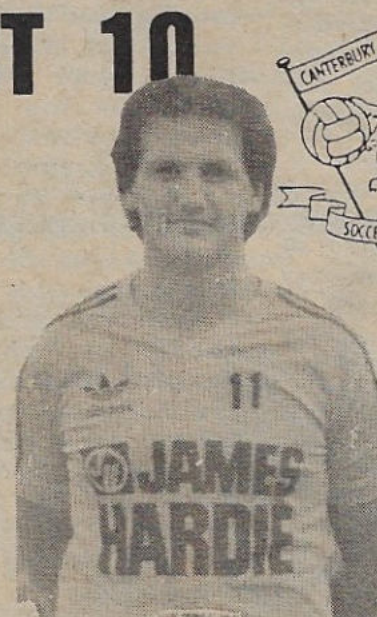
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COALSTARS are about to create club history when they contest the Ampol Cup Final at Perry Park on Sunday August 17.

It will be the third final for the club in its 22 year history and if successful, the club will collect \$6,000 more than it earned when it won the Cup for the only time in 1965.

That game was played at the Exhibition ground and Coalstars were very much the underdogs against the strongest team of that era, Latrobe, who featured many English players and well a strong combination.

Coalstars were a very young and inexperienced side led by cap-

tain/coach Graham Kathage, who had returned to Ipswich after a distinguished career with Brisbane club, Azzurri, now Brisbane City in the NSL.

Coalstars won an exciting match 2-1 and "Kathage's Kids" or the "Bremer Babies" as they became known, took home the trophy to Ipswich for the first time.

Again in 1967 they reached the final, under another well known Ipswich Soccer identity in coach Ray Rule. This time they went in as

favourites against another Ipswich club St Helens, in the only ever all Ipswich cup final.

However, they failed and were beaten 4-2, mainly by the incomparable Col Kitching, one of the finest centre-forwards to ever come out of Ipswich, then in the twilight of his career. He is the father of Jon Kitching, one of the members of the current Coalstars team.

This year Coalstars reached the \$16,000 Statewide Ampol Cup Final by heading their group in the preliminary matches and defeating Mackay 1-0 in the quarter-final and Brisbane

Lions 4-1 in the semi-final at Perry Park.

Their opponents in the final will be North Star, the current cup holders, who are chasing their third consecutive Cup victory and the game is shaping up to be a very hard fought and thoroughly intriguing encounter.

Neither team wants to claim favouritism and North Star player-coach Ian Fagan, a shrewd tactician, is openly stating his team are yet to beat Coalstars in an encounter, while Coalstars coach Brian Styles is playing it very low key and will wait for his team to do the talking on the field.

THE BEGINNINGS OF SOCCER IN THE IPSWICH REGION

THE history of Coalstars Soccer Club goes back to the turn of the century when Soccer was first play in Queensland.

Bundamba Rangers and Blackstone Rovers were two famous Ipswich clubs founded by new settlers from the home country working in the coalmines around Ipswich.

The carved the fields out of bushland on the banks of the Bundamba Creek and between them, produced many fine teams and players for over a half a century.

Ipswich is well known for its internationals from that era and most would have played for one of these clubs. Some of the better known family names include Gibb, Sander, Nunn, Kitching and Rule.

With the restructuring of the Queensland Soccer Federation in the 1960's, many wealthy ethnic clubs like Helle-

nic, Hollandia and Azzurri became strong and lured the best players from Ipswich clubs to Brisbane. It soon became apparent that both clubs could not survive and after much soul searching by both committees, Coalstars was formed in 1964.

In the twenty four years that have passed since then, the club has met with only moderate success and is yet to win a major premiership a grand final.

Although the club has produced many fine players only two, Ross Kelly and Ian Johnson, have gone on to full international honours.

After maintaining a 1st Division team for 13 years, the club dropped to 2nd division in 1977 and played there for two

season before joining with St Helens to form Ipswich United in 1979-80.

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After withdrawing from the Ipswich United concept, the club played again in 2nd Division until 1983, where it finish fourth.

At the beginning of the 1984 season, the restructuring committee of the Queensland Soccer Federation accepted Coalstars' nomination into the premier league, causing considerable controversy in many circles.

Coalstars had spent their time wisely in the lower divisions and the club had developed their facilities to qualify ahead of others some who were stunned at the Federation's decision.

In those two and a half seasons, Coalstars have performed admirably, finishing in seventh position in 1984 and 1985.

In both years they failed to go on in the second round after being well placed earlier. In both years only a few points separated them from a top four position in a very congested competition.

This season the club has again bought wisely and have developed a youth policy that will pay dividends in the future.

Coalstars have won the presidents trophy final by defeating Eastern suburbs a penalties after the two first round leaders fought out a thrilling 0-0 draw at Perry Park, Soccer's headquarters.

They are in the Ampol Cup final for the first time in 19 years and are two points clear in the Premiership, with five fixture games to go, and only two are at their home ground, Bundamba Oval.

FIREWORKS AT BUNDAMBA FOR EASTS ENCOUNTER

A TREMENDOUS test of Coalstars character will come this Sunday when they again meet Eastern Suburbs, this time at Bundamba Oval and a big crowd is expected.

While there could be fireworks on the field, the club has guaranteed fireworks after the game as part of a big promotion for the day.

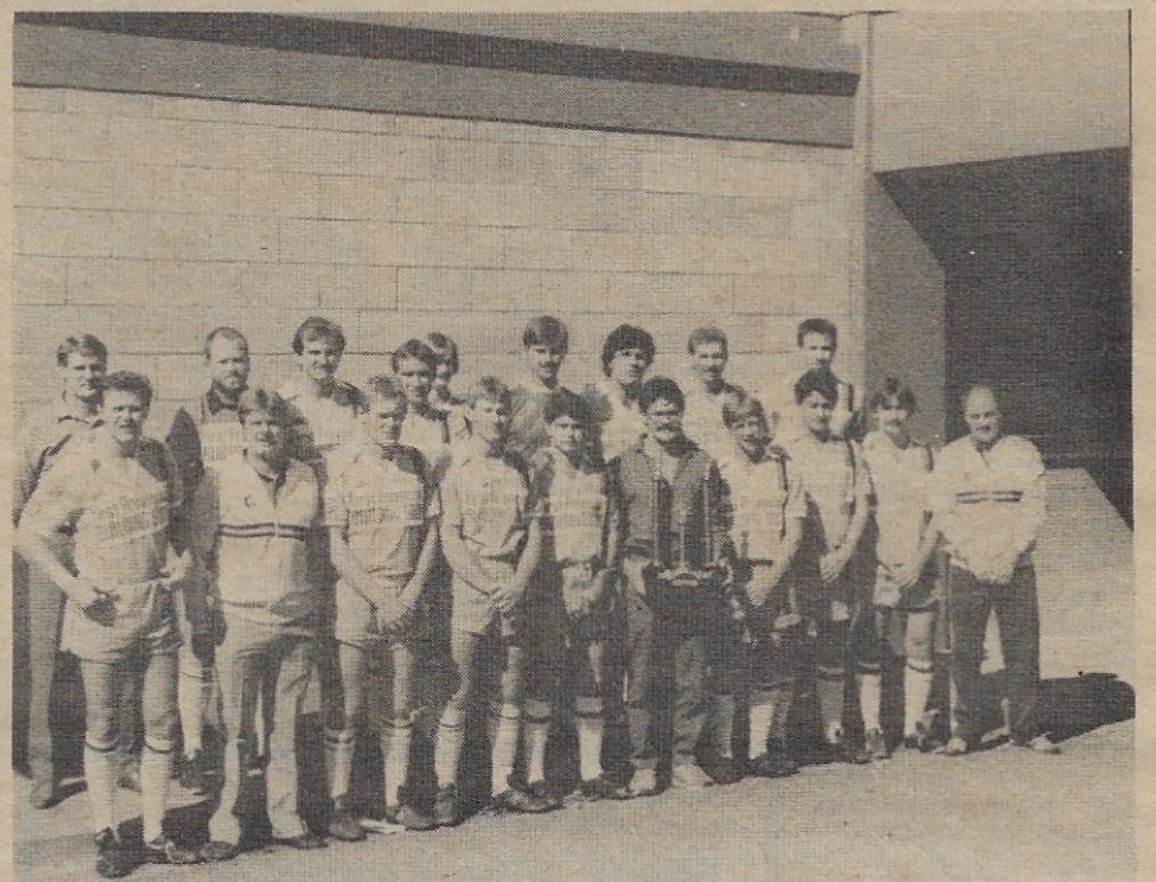
A match involving junior fathers and

coaches will precede the main game at 3pm. Under 8 mini games will entertain the crowd at the half-time and an U10 game will follow the XXXX League fixture. A 'pig on the spit' and Bar-b-que will commence at 6pm and a master firework display is planned to go off at 7pm. The whole day is being sponsored by the clubs local hotel and supporter, the racehorse hotel.

Sponsors all vital to Coalstars and they have been fortunate to have local Building Society,

First Provincial as major sponsor again this year. Other sponsors are Racehorse Hotel, Armstrong Nissan Motors, Rosewood Home Builders, Texas Butchery, Braceall Hot Bread, Merrell Signs, Sports-way, The Queensland Times, Nashua Photocopies, McMahon's Soft Drinks, Hungry Jacks, Pooles Auto Electrics, The Ipswich Advertiser, Hollywood Boulevard Videos, G. James Glars and Aluminiums.

The club is strong in juniors, field 15 teams as well as junior girls and a ladies team.



Prior to playing in the Ampol Cup semi-final against Brisbane Lions, Coalstars squad posed for photographs with the President's Trophy.

Back Row: B. Styles (coach), B. Diflo, I. Lawrie, K. Caldwell, S. Weston, A. Bell, M. Brusasco, G. Mitchell, A. McFarlane.

Front: D. Wheeler, M. Rule (Manager), M. Kitching, B. Kearton, A. Ogden, M. McNaughton, B. Pennon, J. Pedley, J. Kitching, B. Vanderseren (trainer).



Four important cogs in Coalstars machine are coach Brian Styles in his second season with the club, captain Mack McNaughton, the sweeper who won last seasons 'Courier Mail Best & Fairest' award, vice captain Bruce Penman, a midfield dynamo and a club junior product, and Mark Brusasco, the club leading goalscorer and in-form striker this season. He is a former Rothmans Gold Medal winner.



Coalstars winger Brad Keaston was too late to stop the Wynnum goalkeeper from taking this high ball during a recent XXXX League game at Bundamba. Coalstars easily outclassed the league cellar dwellers 3-0.



16 year old Lisa Yates is this years Miss Coalstars and will represent the club in the 1986 Miss Queensland Soccer Finals later this season.

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THE University of New England has announced details of its annual Adidas National Soccer Camp to be held in Armidale from 4th to 10th January, 1987.

The Camp will be directed by Willie Wallace and Eric Worthington.

Willie Wallace, one of Scotland's greatest players, featured in three Scottish World Cup Squads and in two European Cup Finals with Celtic.

Before accepting the position of Camp Director at the University of New England Willie Wallace coached Scottish League Club Dundee.

Eric Worthington, the Adidas National Soccer Camp's Co-Director, was a prominent figure in English Soccer before moving to Australia to take up the position of National Coaching Director.

The University of New England launched its National Soccer Camps in 1981 with a particular eye to doing more for young players and trainee coaches in country areas of New South Wales.

However, the reputation of the Camps now attracts campers from all over Australia, including the metropolitan centres.

"Our staff is second to none," said Willie Wallace. "They have all had extensive experience overseas and are especially chosen for their ability to work with youngsters."

"Eric and I are particularly grateful to Les Scheinflug, the National Youth Team Coach, for the important contribution he has made to the success of the Camps," acknowledge Willie Wallace.

Thanks to generous sponsorship by Adidas and co-sponsors Dunlop, the Commonwealth Bank, Elastoplast, Schweppes, Milo and Prudential Assurance, the University has spared no expense to provide quality.

The Camp caters for all levels of ability and there is a specialised course for goalkeepers.

The Camp's talent identification scheme offers scholarships with-in Australia and overseas.

Willie Wallace is very impressed with the set-up for the Adidas National Soccer Camp.

"Facilities at the University of New England are as good as any I have seen around the world," enthused Willie Wallace.

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Campers follow an intensive programme which starts before breakfast and runs until bed-time each day for a week.

"Without doubt the Adidas National Soccer Camp offers the most strenuous but most enjoyable Christmas holiday for any aspiring young Soccer player," added Willie Wallace with typical enthusiasm.

Eric Worthington has a special responsibility at the Camp for the trainee coaches who come to qualify for National Coaching Certificates.

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ON THE BALL

National Director of Coaching Eric Worthington and former Celtic, Scotland and APIA-Leichhardt winger Willie Wallace with two young charges at the University of New England at Armidale.

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Willie Wallace shows an enthusiastic if not mean streak as he poses with the oval ball at the famed UNE campus.



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— THE CRUNCH WITH KRNCCEVIC —

IT is with great dismay and sorrow that I notice that some critics have picked up the cudgel to support expatriate Winfield Socceroo striker Eddie Krncevic in his dispute with national coach Frank Arok!



EDDIE KRNCCEVIC in action during his stint in West Germany. The expatriate Socceroo has moved to brilliant Belgium club ANDERLECHT for a \$700,000 transfer fee.

Big Eddie of course, has allegedly stated that he has no wish to play again for Australia under the present 'set-up' and will not do so 'until the set-up changes'.

For me this is 'Player Power' at its rampant worst and something that just cannot be tolerated in any national squad.

It is a known fact that I totally abhor attempted 'Player Power' in any shape or form and there is no room for it in any successful setup — be it at club or international level!

I would also like to state here and now that I have a great admiration for Eddie Krncevic as a player and as man after my many dealings with him over the years.

The big lad has done well in his career and has proved his worth in Europe as his recent \$700,000 transfer to Belgium's leading club Anderlecht undoubtedly proves.

But in his present conflict with Frank Arok, Eddie unfortunately is way out of line.

The facts of the matter are — Arok wanted Krncevic in his team in last year's World Cup qualifying games.

And indeed he went to great lengths to have Krncevic in the Socceroo scheme of things.

Krncevic's reply was that he would be available for 'some games' but definitely not for others.

NO DEAL

'Selective representation' on the players' behalf if you like!

In such a situation coach Arok had no other alternative but to ignore the Belgium-based striker.

No national team — be it here or anywhere in the world — can hope to gain success if players

are allowed to select which games they want or don't want to play in!

Also to state that such a situation, if allowed to happen, would cause havoc in the ranks of the national set-up, would be the understatement of the century!

In this present conflict, player Krncevic is entirely wrong.

And, national coach Frank Arok is totally correct!

The recent World Cup series in Mexico was the perfect example of national coaches being in total control at all times and calling all the shots on team selection, as they saw fit.

Some of the greatest players in the world had to knuckle under to their 'bosses' — it could be no other way!

In the camp of World Cup winners Argentina the World's finest player Diego Maradona had to and did toe the line at all times to his coach — Carlos Bilardo.

Maradona wanted to bring his girlfriend from Buenos Aires to watch the series.

Bilardo said — "no way" — she stayed at home!

In the runners-up camp — West Germany, coach Kaiser Franz Beckenbauer was not convinced that his star striker — superstar Karl-Heinz Rummenigge was fully fit during the opening round.

Rummenigge on the other hand declared he was!

The outcome — the great Karl-Heinz was only used sparingly as a substitute until Beckenbauer thought he was fully in condition!

Even the greatest have to buckle down — there was no argument on this score!

MOLBY'S MISS

Brilliant Danish midfielder Jan Molby —

Liverpool's star of the FA Cup final was left out the Danish World cup lineup in the opening games.

Danish coach Sepp Piontek was not satisfied with Molby's performances in training.

Molby accepted his fact.

Scotland's only superstar Graeme Souness was not even selected for the subs' bench in the crucial match against Uruguay.

Scots boss Alex Ferguson was convinced that the great midfielder 'lacked total concentration' on the business at hand!

I could go on and on bringing examples from the very top, where coach's decisions must and 99.9 percent of the time are, upheld without question.

No player, no matter how great he may be — or thinks he may be, must be allowed to call the shots as far as a national team, or for that matter — even at club team, is concerned.

A desire and pride to play and wear the colors of one's country surely must reign supreme in the thinking of all players.

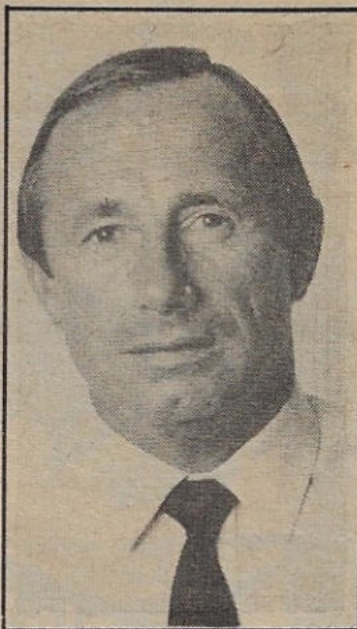
And with this, surely must come the total acceptance of the ruling and decisions of the man in charge of the setup — the national coach.

If players are not prepared to accept this, then they don't deserve and should not yet, national team selection.

ONE AVENUE

Apart from performance, morale is must probably the most important ingredient in any national team camp.

Without it, forget about winning!



TOM ANDERSON looks at "BIG EDDIE" and the 'Roos.

And, moral stems from the human relationships between the players and the national coach and his assistants.

If one player or players are afforded the luxury of "picking their game", the remainder of the squad will become discontented and disenchanted with the set-up.

Such a situation of course it self-destructive.

In the past when it has been allowed to happen at national level throughout the world, the teams concerned, have not been worth two bob!

Getting players into the correct frame of mind to take on the opposition, is a major task in any coaching role.

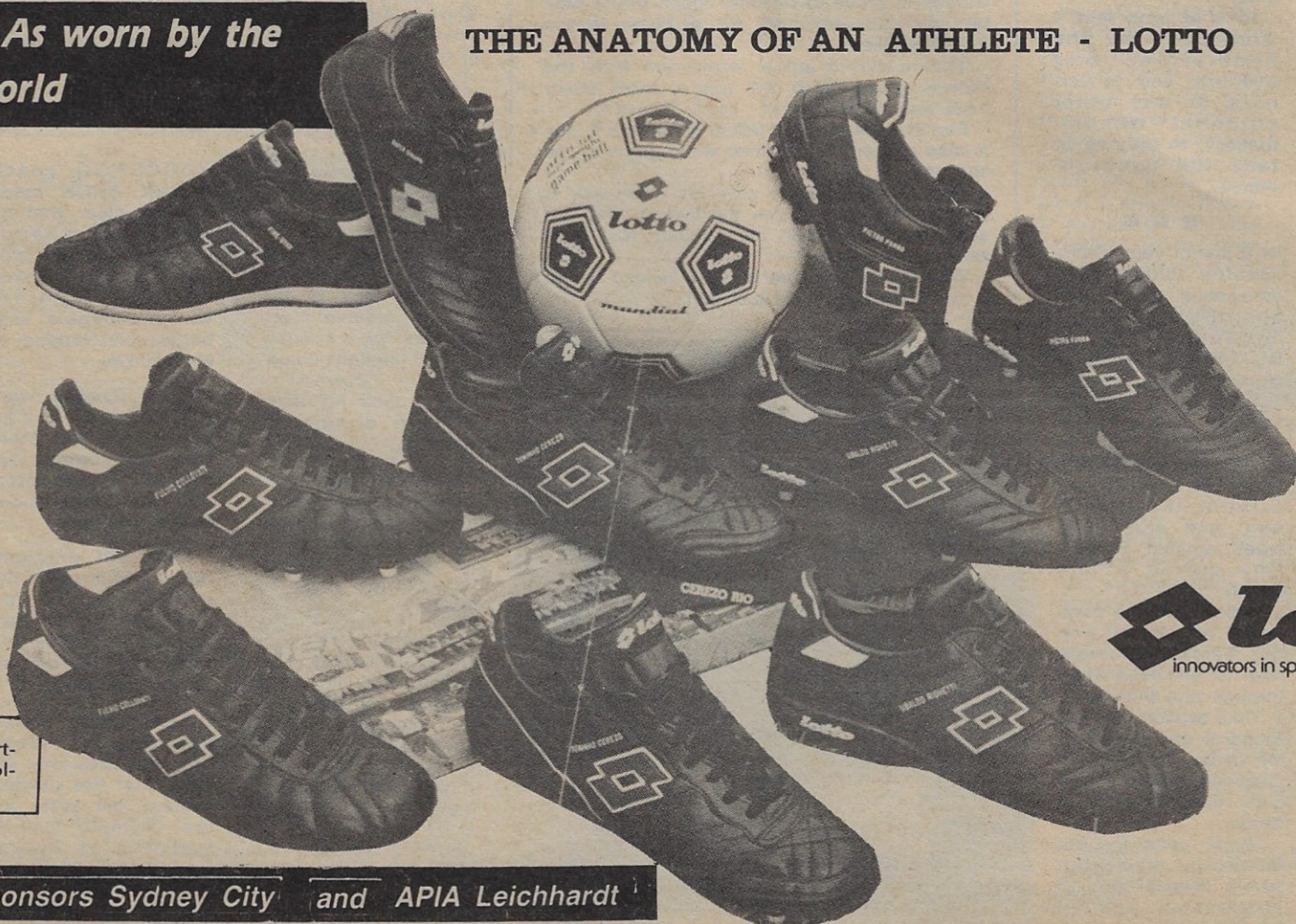
This cannot be achieved, if grace and favor is shown to some players and not others.

Mainly, because of this fact, I applaud Frank Arok in his decision to overlook Big Eddie Krncevic for national team duty.

There was only one avenue open for Arok to take.

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CHIT CHAT — Behind the scene at your club

75 YEARS BACK — NSW SOCCER MANAGEMENT

THIS distinguished body of gentlemen controlled the destinies of the NSW Football in 1911 — just 11 years after the States had formally combined to constitute the Commonwealth of Australia.

In the circles are F. Barlow and J. Spearin. Back row: E. Perrin, R.J. Black, F. West. Second row: G. McCracken, S. Lynch, C. Thorpe, H.L. Nurse. Front row: E.E. Hughes, F. Booth.



ADELAIDE CITY, while they would like larger attendance at their games, report an increase for seven home matches, including the one switched to Hindmarsh Stadium because of wet weather.

They racked up 25,000 paid spectators, and are looking an average 6,000 in the "Super League" next season.

IT had to happen, it was inevitable...

What was so predictable you ask? The fact that Soccer in Oz would have some part of their game nicknamed 'The Mean Machine'.

With all the success of that particular name in the swimming 4 x 100 metres relay team everyone has slapped a tag on everyone else.

The 4 x 200 was the 'Awesome Four-some', the Women's 4 x 400 track side was the 'Dream Machine', the Australian Rugby League front row was tagged the 'Green Machine' and now the Socceros have their own Mean Machine in our back-line men.

The triumvirate of David Ratcliffe, Charlie Yankos and Robbie Dunn have been labelled as our meanies and Alan Hunter is a stop-gap for them.

Our forwards could well possess that tag also as John Kosmina, Marshall Soper, Frank Farina and Graham Arnold all can look after themselves and give every bit as much as they take.

THEY are not always "nice" but one can't help but wonder at some of the expressions fans come up with when heckling players.

Here's one from a recent match when a player won a hard tackle against a player in the home team.

As the ball went out, and a free was blown as the home man went down, a voice was heard from the terracing:

"Away ya go ya poisoned dwarf."

THE Queensland Soccer Federation will stage its inaugural golf day in October and is looking for the champion golfing club. Clubs can enter as many players as they wish, with the best three scores counting towards the competition, which will carry a trophy. With the number of Soccer players who list golf as their favourite other sport, the competition could be hot.

THE NSW Federation has not taken lightly the amount of violence in its lower divisions of late.

In fact they have moved quickly after an inquiry over the incident a few weeks ago when referee TERRY SEACY was allegedly assaulted in a fourth division inter-urban match.

The Colombian club, one of the contestants in that particular game, have been expelled as have the other side Macedonia Yagoona Eagles.

Along with them Jedinstvo United have been shown a permanent 'red card' also.

It is at long last a firm stand by the Federation, long overdue, and a warning to any other potential 'trouble-makers' to behave or face the consequences.

IN a sports year where 'Golden Oldies' are dominating, Apia Leichardt's evergreen midfielder TERRY BUTLER is relishing every game.

The diminutive veteran brought the house down with a blinder during APIA's upset win over Sydney Croatia two weeks ago, and again last week against Sydney City played a fine match.

Butler, 33, has played all his football with the Lambert Parkers and is an APIA man through and through.

This season he has found a new lease of life under Rale Basic's coaching methods and has never played better.

Same goes for Vic Bozanic, who was sorely missed through suspension against the Slickers.

A DIFFICULT decision is looming for Adelaide City coach Zoran Matic.

First choice keeper Willie McNally is almost fit again after suffering torn right thumb ligaments which put him out for eight weeks.

Does he come in to replace 17 year old whizkid Steve Niscioli, who has done a magnificent job?

The remaining matches between the Czechoslovakian Youth side and the Youth Socceros will be as follows:

At Brisbane on Wednesday August 6, and in Newcastle on Saturday, August 9.

The first match was played in Tasmania on Saturday.

IN these days of financial insecurity, and clubs almost begging for cash, it made a change to read an advertisement in the Adelaide City program recently.

Announcing a special general meeting, the last line read: "Don't bring your cheque books."

Did it mean the opposite?

MOST good things are learnt by trial and error, just like when Manchester United toured Australia two years ago for a series of matches.

The much loved 'Red Devils' took the ASF, the Soccer fraternity and all Australians for some ride, not unlike the 'Wild Cat' at Luna Park.

They promised this and that and we got... a kick in the butt. A reserve team out here for a holiday. At least Italian champions Juventus brought their full team to have a summer vacation!

Now we hear that the Socceros sponsors Winfield are looking at bringing them out again. Do they deserve a second chance?

That's up to the people spending the money. But the good news is that Liverpool, the champion English club are being sought to tour here in the English off season in 1987.

It would be great to have our own Craig Johnston play for his club against his country. A real drawcard.

WOLLONGONG CITY is skipper Ray Vlietstra would be the first to admit he wanted to have a big game when he led out his side against St George at Barton Park.

The former youth international stopper wanted to prove to national coach Frank Arok he still aims to push for a place in the Socceros team.

Things didn't quite work out with the Wolves going down 3-1 and it could easily have been 6-1.

For Vlietstra and his fellow defenders it was a case of them having their worst game of the season.

The Wolves' skipper says his main task is to get the team into the top five so they are assured of staying in the 14-team NSL next season.

Without the pressure of Arok looking on he is confident he will do just that.



CRAIG JOHNSTON, would be a great drawcard.

BRISBANE LIONS coach Col Bennett has shaved off his moustache — and denied it was to throw off the "desperate dan" tag. Bennett was given the nickname when he first grew his moustache several years ago as it gave him a bushranger type appearance. It resurfaced recently when he "took out" two of his players, Danny Wright and Nick Meredith, in training accidents. Bennett claimed he turned to the razor, for a "bit of a change".

PETER RASKOPOULOS is quite a tipster.

Prior to the big match for Sydney Olympic against Sydney Croatia 'Randwick', as he is affectionately known, predicted: "I think that if both teams perform to expectations, it should be a super match."

"Obviously there is very little between the teams, and it is really a question of what side takes its chances in front of goal. It's definitely the match of the year."

Not bad from the blue and white skipper, three out of three! Firstly it was a super match.

Then the bit about taking chances in front of goal, if Vicente Estavillo had put away that penalty it would have probably changed the game. Instead of 2-2 Croatia made it 3-1 almost immediately.

And finally, yes, to date it has been the match of the year, although you didn't necessarily have to be Einstein to predict that.

SOCCEROO coach FRANK AROK made it quite clear that he would not change the style of his side for the three-match series against Czechoslovakia that began on Sunday in Melbourne.

"The Czechs were organised and aggressive and there was no reason for me to change playing two centre-backs and a sweeper.

"We will pressure them and that is the only way to be successful. It has worked for us before and should do so again," he said.

After using tested methods for these big matches he insists that the playing system will differ for the Olympic Games qualifiers, as Australia face minnows Papua New Guinea and Taiwan in February, 1988.

WE'VE mentioned the versatility of Adelaide Hellas regular Tim Brown in previous issues, but he's done it again.

After being fielded as a full-back from the start of the season, he is back in midfield — and before that scored against Melbourne Juventus in round 15 from the defending position — his first goal in three years when he was a striker.

And he's still well on the right side of 30.



PETER RASKOPOULOS

FOR those who take statistics, please note that George Konstandopoulos scored against Heidelberg for Adelaide Hellas, and not Gary Ward.

The wire service and some local newspapers gave the goal to big Gary, who was on the spot with his striking partner, but it was "wee George" who got his final touch.

QUEENSLAND Soccer Federation officials want to point out that Australian youth squad members Jason Polak and John Koch are Queenslanders. In most stories their pair are referred to as simply AIS students. Their pair are former Pine Rovers juniors and were members of last year's national championship winning Queensland youth team.

"Full credit to the Institute for bringing on their talent, but they did learn their Soccer in Queensland," a QSF official said.

The QSF also is claiming Socceros squad members Alan Hunter and Frank Farina, along with home-based Russell Stewart.

"In every other sport Queenslanders playing for interstate clubs still retain their home tag and Soccer shouldn't be any different," the official said.

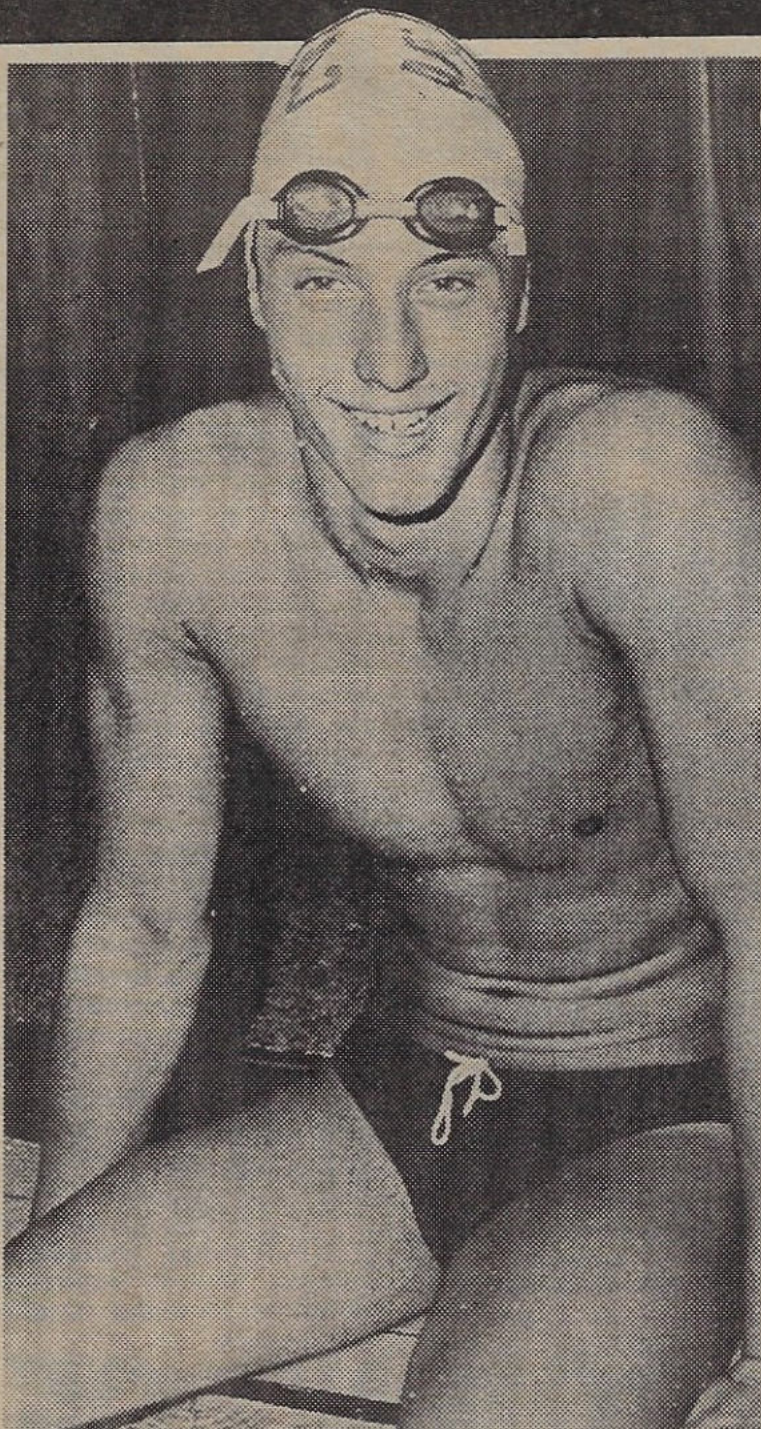
CHIT CHAT — Behind the scene at your club



GOOD footballer was ROBERT GLERIA. . . . Yes, Australia's new swimming sensation was quite handy with the ball at his toes when turning out for the Marconi juniors.

As most would know 17-year-old Robert is the Commonwealth 200 metres freestyle champion and he also grabbed another gold medal in the 4 x 200 freestyle relay.

Quite an effort and ASW congratulates yet another former Soccer player that has made good in another sport.



Young Rob Gléria, Commonwealth 200 metre champ — lost to football?

WELL, the crisis meeting at St. George certainly seemed to work first up.

Prior to the match against Wollongong, the Saints' committee asked its players to stage one heck of a rally to stay in the OASL.

Although they had a fine 3-1 win, the Saints club, one of the prime instigators of the national competition in 1977, are still in some sort of danger of missing the cut-off under the 14-team format most likely to be introduced next year.

Following successive defeats to Olympic and Canberra, the club plummeted to ninth on the table and out of the top 14 ratings.

Noting the urgency, coach Frank Arok called a special training session the Saturday afternoon prior to the crunch game . . . and it worked wonders.

NICE gesture from FRANK AROK towards Les Scheinflug.

You see Arok asked 'Fluggers' if he would require two or three senior players to bolster his Youth Soccerroos during the Queens Cup Invitation tournament in Bangkok.

Players like the unlucky David Lowe, Tom McCulloch, Rod Brown, Robbie Slater and Robbie Wheatley would come into contention.

But the Marconi coach declined the offer saying that it might be a little detrimental to his team building.

"I was thrilled when Frank made the offer and it shows the great co-operation that exists in the national set-up, but I will have to refuse the offer because for me the main point of the exercise in the Queens Cup is to get my side moulded together into a formidable combination," said Scheinflug.

DAVID BATTEN has had a mixed season since joining Wollongong City.

He had to battle his way into the top team before grabbing a hat-trick in the 3-1 first round win over Canterbury but failed to hold that form.

Batten failed to get any more NSL goals and has spent most of the season in the youth team.

Against St George he scored four goals in the Wolves' impressive 5-2 win with another ex-first grader, Richard Peil, getting the other.

Batten has the build and the shot to make a good striker but coach John Fleming has been disappointed with lack of aggression in important situations.

This has been happening when striker Robert Giraldi has desperately needed a player of this type running off him.

IF you think Arok has a difficult assignment with these Soccerroos at his disposal, you'd better think again.

The national coach insists that he is a lot better off than he was at the same time last year.

During training he commented: "You know, there is much better material with this bunch than I had last year."

"When I first started out (back in 1983) I could not believe what I had let myself in for. I laughed. I honestly laughed. Not at the players, mind you, but at the shemozzle I saw before me."

"In the end, after a lot of hard work by everyone concerned, it worked out very well. But this time the situation looks just that much better for us all."



TERRY GREEDY as safe as ever, collects a Wollongong cross last weekend.

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QUEENSLAND's Australian Under 16 squad member, Guy Rigby from Rockhampton, nearly had his national career ended by the drink — milk that is. Rigby does a milk run and developed a flat-footed, leaning gait due to him carrying crates on the run. National under 16 coach Bruce Stowell spotted the fault and urged Rigby to undertake athletics coaching to fix his style. And Stowell is pleased to report the youngster was very much "on his toes" when he reported to the last training camp.

Sponsorship comes in all forms these days . . . Fernhill club have become sponsors of the annual Bert Bampton Cup knockout series along with Corrimall League Club.

It seems Fernhill forked out just \$250 to become a sponsor and for that have the semi-finals and final played on their Towradgi Park ground.

THE challenge match between the 1974 Soccerroos and the Soccer Media will be played before the Northern Division Grand Final.

The game will be directly before the main game and the Youth League will be played before the 'all-stars' clash.

WITH MANIS LAMOND possibly heading for Brazil and top-club Flamengo, his Sydney Croatia teammate and Soccerroo GRAHAM ARNOLD is off to Europe at the end of the season and looking at big things when there.

In the classy forward-cum-midfielder has already been scouted by a French talent agent and he will go to the Bordeaux club after the Soccerroo tour of Asia in November for a two-month spell. Depending on his progress Arnold could be lost to Australian Soccer.

But as ever Graham is keeping his feet firmly on the ground.

"To be honest I haven't time to think of the trip to Europe. We have this current series against Czechoslovakia, then two games against New Zealand and a trip to Asia."

"Above all Croatia is on top and well and truly in line for NSL honours. But I'll give it my best shot when I get over there."

GOOD to see ASW's super-scribe and sometime goalkeeper TERRY GREEDY back in the number one shirt for St George.

Quite ironic how 'Shilton' comes back for the Saints and they have a big win. But really Terry had a top class game and no team can afford the luxury of keeping such a player on the bench.

Plagued by injuries this year, Terry could well be a determining factor as to whether St. George survive the drop or not.

Illawarra clubs would have been surprised to hear Warilla Wanderers striker Robert Hernandez had a two week suspension reduced to one and was able to make himself available for Saturday's top of the table clash with Bulli.

He was sent off for foul and abusive language against Cringila — and automatic two week suspension but had it reduced on appeal.

The judiciary ruled he had been provoked into using the language which resulted in his send-off.

This decision could result in similar appeals in the near future with important games coming up.

CAPTAIN SOCCEROO — John Kosmina was looking forward to facing up against an old adversary in Czechoslovakian captain JAN FIALA.

These two are the only remnants from the meetings in 1980 when the Czechs blitzed the Aussies, 4-0 in Canberra, 5-0 in Sydney and then drew 2-2 in Melbourne.

Between them they have made 95 full international appearances — Kossie 48 and Fiala 47. Apart from these the Australian skipper has played countless other games for the green and gold in non-international matches.

Prior to Sunday's match Kossie said: "Fiala was a good player in the 1980 series and it was nice to meet them again."

"I can't forget the thrashings they gave us six years ago but I am confident we can win the series and that I will be able to reverse the situation with Fiala. He and his team will be in for a bit of a shock. This is a much better Australian team than they previously met."

THE news that MANFRED SCHAEFER will be quitting as coach of Sydney Olympic at the end of the year came as quite as a surprise.

Ironically though it has helped end two long-running records at the Greek-backed clubs.

The same week as Schaefer announced his decision, his side went down in dramatic fashion to Sydney Croatia 4-1, so ending a 15 match unbeaten streak and a record by him that may stand for a very long time.

Olympic, notorious for ending the stays of many coaches quite abruptly have held onto the former Soccerroo 'iron man' for more than three years now. Quite a record.

On his resignation Schaefer said: "It's time to move on and seek new challenges."

"By the end of the season I will have been with them for three and a half years. I think that is about as much time a coach should spend at one club."

However Schaefer was recently offered a new contract to stay with Olympic but he remained adamant that this would be his last season with the club.

"I have done my job and I feel I have been there too long. I need a new challenge, he declared."

Schaefer's success with Olympic is testimony to his quality as a coach and a 'new challenge' shouldn't be too difficult to find.

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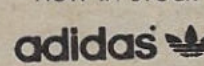
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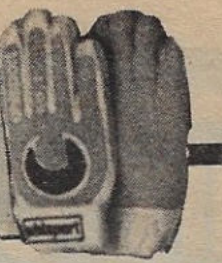
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THE GLOVES ARE OFF WITH TERRY GREEDY



WITH the domestic Soccer scene taking a two week recess, the spotlight will focus on the performances of the National Youth and Winfield Soccerroo teams against their European opponents, Czechoslovakia.

The Czechs are highly regarded on the European circuit and the hiding they dished out to Australia in 1980 ensures a close series.

Whilst they found Australia easy opposition last time, I am certain they will find the present squad a more formidable combination.

One thing for sure is that the new players drafted into the two national squads are definitely going to gain valuable experience at the highest level. The young players brought into the Youth side by Les Scheinflug will realise they are under pressure to perform if they wish to retain their positions in the final squad to represent in the World Youth Cup.

Weekly, young players given the opportunity to play in the National League are covering themselves with glory and the game at Youth level has never been in better shape.

The final squad will

definitely be as strong as previous squads and no doubt they will be able to further enhance the Aussie reputation established in past tournaments. The series against Czechoslovakia marks the beginning of a new four-year campaign to reach the next World Cup in Rome.

The inclusion of so many new faces will provide the perfect chance for the national coach to check how these new players adapt to the increased pressure of international Soccer.

Those that are able to take their chance when it is presented, will cement their places for future games with the Seoul Olympics the first target. The Australian public are used to watching our national teams in the other codes winning against overseas opposition. This is made much easier by the simple fact that very few nations participate in these ball codes and to be hailed as World Champions the Aussie

teams only have to beat four or five countries.

Soccer is played in nearly all countries around the world and the task of being crowned Champion of the World means triumphing over 168 member nations of F.I.F.A.

Being used to success the Aussie public does not take these circumstances into account when considering their teams' credibility rating on the

world scene.

Winning is the MAJOR consideration.

Soccer in Australia is unfortunate in that it has to compete for spectators with codes that, because of their physical nature, restrict many people from playing those games.

Human nature being what it is, these poor folks can only go along and dream of playing by following their favourite

teams.

By relying on brain rather than brawn, Soccer can be played by people of all ages shapes and sizes with little worry about serious injury. Soccer is predominantly a participator sport while the others are largely for the spectator alone.

Only if the National Soccer team continues to perform with distinction against overseas

teams will those many thousands of players in the country who enjoy the game come out in the open and show their support by attending games.

A game must be presented as a family entertainment by providing support activities to entice the crowds along, thus making it a family outing.

The promotion work initiated by the Winfield Company during the World Cup games was excellent and this will ensure the fortunes of the present team.

This will no doubt lead to widespread exposure and support for the National Team. But where does that leave the domestic Soccer scene?

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Increased interest in the National team will probably mean more interest in the League but with the new format next year (which has already failed once before), one is left to wonder what the future holds for the National Soccer League.

My feelings are the League should be reduced to 16 teams from



Wollongong, Newcastle, Canberra, Adelaide (2), Brisbane (1) Sydney (5) and Melbourne (5).

The only way Brisbane is going to survive is for City and Lions to amalgamate as say Brisbane United.

It would mean alternate weeks without top Soccer in Brisbane but for the sake of the code in Queensland this would appear to be much better than no National League at all.

Leading players from Brisbane will be forced to head south if they are not able to play in the National League.

The present criteria set down for inclusion in the 1987 League is inadequate, and this must be revised as soon as possible if not sooner.



FRANK AROK supervises as his Soccerroo squad prepare to do battle with Czechoslovakia.

AUSTRALIAN SOCCER IS COMING OF AGE

THE game last week between Sydney Croatia and Sydney Olympic featured some of the best Soccer I have seen in Australia. The first half was possibly the best 45 minutes of club Soccer that I have seen here.

The game was fast, clean and filled with skill from both sides.

Croatia won the game in the first half with its tactical ploy of attacking down the right side against Estavillo and young full back Spanoudakis.

In the second half, Olympic, on going two goals down, reacted rather hysterically with massed attacks which really suited the Croatia counter attack game.

Those were the tactical elements which played a big part in the result, but the game was a joy to watch, especially the first half.

It all indicated that the Australian club game is rapidly coming of age.

As a television spectacle it stood up very well to games we see from overseas — specially bearing in mind that the game was not cut, or edited.

The camera work was well done, as was the commentary by Mike Hill with intelligent comment coming from Alan Vest.

Just some years ago, the standard of televised Soccer between clubs in this country was poor.

That is the reason no major TV station to date has picked up on Soccer the way they have done with other sports.

However, this might change soon.

SBS is to be congratulated with what they achieve on a limited budget.

From the now cultured and composed Les Murray, down through the technical staff, all deserve congratulations.

The game itself confirmed an impression that I already had about Manis Lamond.

This boy is as fluid



BY MIKE JOHNSON

and as smooth as quicksilver, but he lacks strength and robustness.

Manis is trying to play Soccer with almost nil physical contact.

If he can bring some strength and toughness to his game it is possible instead of just quicksilver we might see a player of solid gold.

I was very impressed with new man, Ivor Petkovic; skillful, able to finish, a good competitor, who holds off players very well with his body.

He has made a difference to Croatia and it might be enough to win his club the league title.

Steve Watson has always been a great goalkeeper who has never been able to realise just how good he is.

With experience, perhaps he is beginning to at last realise of his outstanding ability.

Jurin is fast, but also strong as he showed in his contest with Olympic sweeper Tony Dakos which brought the Croatia striker a goal.

Strength is important to all players, as is knowledge of how you use it.

As a big, tall central defender Dakos would not be pleased with himself for not being able to

hold off Jurin as they contested a through ball.

Good defenders get those balls, just as do good attackers.

In this case Jurin held off Dakos as they jostled for the ball, then with his speed went on to score.

Croatia have some fine footballers in their back four.

It is excellent to watch Wally Savor, Marijan Kovacic and Graham Jennings, all former front players, joining up with Rozic to play cultured Soccer in defensive situations.

Estavillo was exposed for his defensive limitations.

Nevertheless what a beautiful player he is.

His partner Raskopoulos is all strength and power and a good long passer of the ball.

However, there is an imbalance in the Olympic midfield which was noticeable in this game against a smart opponent.

Marshall Soper has fine skills and has the strength and the courage to exploit them, especially in tight situations.

He should spend more time in the centre of the park where his skills will give him more strikes at goal.

He does not have enough attempts at goal in a game.

This is why he is not the heavy goalscorer he should be.

He is also effective in wide positions, but he spends too much of his time there.

He is potentially a great attacker. But skills of themselves do not always work for players.

It is WHERE you use them and WHEN you

use them what makes the difference.

When Soper realises this he will be an event better player.

Especially this will be so if he is able to bring himself constantly into the game and not drift in and out as he does at present.

But what a good player he is! And what a good game that was!

It makes one realise why the world is now starting to notice our players.

We probably need to give them more credit too.



HIGH FLYERS: Marshall Soper and Zarko Odzakovic during the big game.



VICENTE ESTAVILLO leaves IVOR PETKOVIC behind as he starts yet another attack for Olympic. 'Great attacker' — says Mike Johnson but not a classic defender.

ASW'S JOHNNY WARREN HAS HIS SAY

CASTLE HILL v BIRRONG

AT PARRAMATTA STADIUM

THE Combined High Schools, in association with the Australian Soccer Federation, will stage the Castle Hill versus Birrong semi-final of this year's Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup as the curtain raiser to the Socceroos v Czechoslovakia international at Parramatta Stadium next Sunday.

Kick-off time for the schoolboy semi-final will be 1pm with appropriate allowance made should the match require extra time or penalty kicks to decide which school will advance to the final of this year's Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup.

The final will be held at Marconi Stadium the following Friday evening, August 15.

Both Birrong and Castle Hill are making their first appearance in the semi finals, so obviously neither has taken out schoolboy Soccer's most prestigious competition.

Teams for Sunday's semi-final are:

BIRRONG	CASTLE HILL
How they reached the semis:	How they reached the semis:
Bass Hill 7-1	Parramatta 3-1
East Hills 3-1	Merrylands 4-0
Punchbowl 2-1	Granville 4-1
Bonnyrigg 5-2	Pendle Hill 5-1
JJ Cahill 2-1	Kingsgrove Nth 3-2
Kiera 1-1	St Johns Park 0-0
(won 4-2 on penalty shoot out)	(won 5-3 on penalty shoot out)

BIRRONG
(gold and black shirts, black shorts and black and gold socks)

1. Barton WILLS
 2. Kon MANTAS
 3. Marcelo PAZ
 4. Dean HUTTON
 5. Andrew COOPER
 6. Mark HOLLAND
 7. Darryl PIDCOCK
 8. Robert BOZINOVSKI
 9. Leon TRAVERS
 10. Scott GILBERT (Captain)
 11. Branko PLAVSIC
 12. Tony PAPAS
 13. Jani CAKOVSKI
 14. Jaimie WISHART
- Reserve goalkeeper: Neale HORN
Coach: Steve GEE

CASTLE HILL
(blue shirts, white shorts, blue/white socks)

1. Shane EMERY
 2. Andrew McMASTER
 3. Darren LESLIE
 4. Ian LUCK (Captain)
 5. Grant HUDSON
 6. Andrew BOW
 7. Magnus STRONQUIST
 8. Grant CAMERON
 9. Paul ELEKI
 10. Greg PAVNE
 11. Greg BUCHANON
 12. Daniel TUDDENHAM
 13. Ross GODFREY
 14. Paul MBEK
- Reserve goalkeeper: Garry MARSHALL
Coach: John CAIRNS

INDOOR SOCCER A NEW TRADITION

Indoor Soccer's first recorded game was played in Canada in 1854. However, the modern version of the game was developed in Monte Video, Uruguay, in 1932, when Roger Grain defined a standard set of rules. It wasn't long before it spread into other parts of South America.

Indoor Soccer or Futbol Saloa was designed to be played on a basketball court 5-a-side. The special feature of this game was the unique style of the ball, which does not bounce. Initially the ball was constructed of a leather casing containing horse hair and later cork was added. The modern ball contains an air bladder, foam and a leather casing.

The South American Continent played Pan American games until 1959 when FIFUSA was formed, i.e., the Federation International Futbol Saloa and continued to grow until the present day, with a membership of 47 Countries in all continents of the world. FIFUSA organised the 1st World Championship in Sao Paulo, Brazil, in 1981 and the second World Championship in Madrid, Spain in 1985. It was decided at the Congress of 1985 that in future World Championships be played, every three years, and the official name be changed to Fut/Sal (from Portuguese to Spanish) and accepted Australia's bid for the third World Championships in 1988 — our Bicentennial Year.

In Australia Indoor Soccer was developed by Mrs Dawn Gilligan in 1971, adopting a large bouncing ball played off the wall with 6-a-side.

In 1983 Australia affiliated to FIFUSA and in the 1984/85 season changed its game to Fut/Sal and for the first time Australia was represented at the second World Championships in Spain, where it was placed eight from the twelve finalists.

Australia has undertaken a major progressive International programme in an effort to bridge its standard of the game with major countries such as Brazil, which has a fifty year tradition, by promoting International competition for various age groups from U/14 Boys through to All Age Men culminating, in 1986, with 10 International teams travelling to Canada, USA, Brazil, Japan, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile and also Canada at home for the All Age Women.



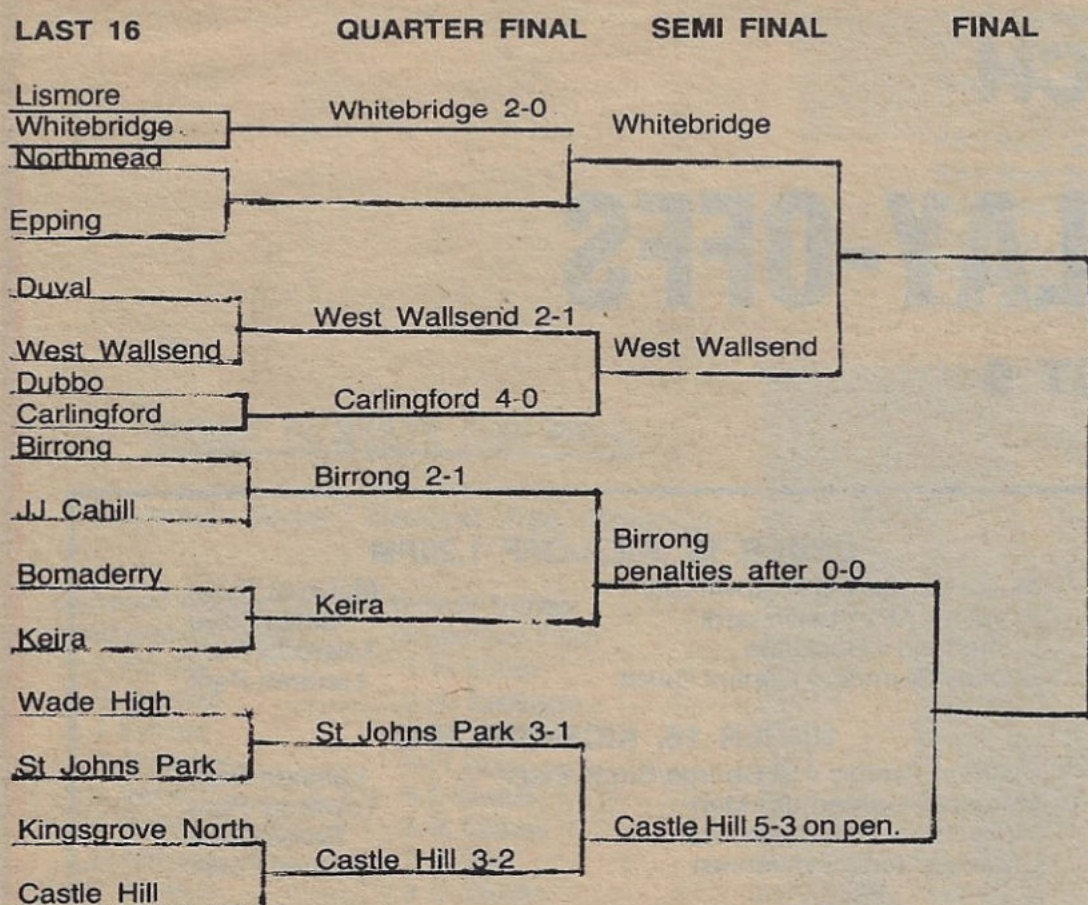
In this issue
JOHNNY WARREN
champions the
great schools
competition of
Australia.



The Commonwealth Bank Soccer Club draws entries from High Schools from the Queensland to the Victorian borders right to the far West of NSW.

1986 COMMONWEALTH BANK SOCCER CUP

FINAL 16



***286 NSW State High Schools entered this years Cup.

— ACT OFFERS ALTERNATIVES IN — INDOOR FOOTBALL

ONE of the fastest growing indoor sports starts its summer season soon. Indoor Soccer, a game played on a basketball size court is developing almost beyond belief in Australia, and the ACT is at the fore.

In 1971 Australia adopted the 6-a-side "fluffy" or large tennis like ball game, but with affiliation to FIFUSA (Federation International Futbol Saloa) in 1983 "International Rules" the 5-a-side game was introduced and played in 1984/85.

It is the International Rules game that is now attracting towards 100,000 players Australia wide, and the ACTISA (ACT Indoor Soccer Association) is developing this game, but does still offer the fluffy ball game for those who

want it.

International Rules is played by 47 countries throughout the world, and Australia participated in the second World Championships in Madrid, Spain in 1985. The World Championships are played every three years, and the next time they are to be played will be in 1988 here in Australia.

Australia has undertaken a major progressive International programme with 10 International Teams travelling to Canada, USA, Brazil, Japan, Argentina, Uruguay and Chile this year.

Here in the ACT there are currently five players in the Australian U14 side, one player in each of the U16, U17 and U18 teams and one girl in the young women's side. There are four women in the All Age Women's team and two men in the All Age

Men's team, so it can be seen that the ACT are as good as any in Australia at this sport at least.

Indoor Soccer is a very fast, skilful and exciting game, as well as a very entertaining spectator game, with usually quite a number of goals being scored.

This year the NISL (National Indoor Soccer League) will be televised every Monday night at 7.30pm on SBS starting in September. Canberra has two teams in the competition, the Canberra Rockets and the Canberra Strikers.

The ACTISA will run an extensive summer competition offering International Rules competitions for U10, U12 and U14 mixed teams, U13, U14, U15 and U16 boys teams, as well as U16 girls teams.

For men there will be International Rules competitions offered to

U20, open and over 35 teams, and there will be an open women International Rules competition.

Fluffy ball competitions are being offered for open mixed and open men. A Men's States League will be run playing International Rules.

State Championships (International Rules) will be held at the AIS on 9th Nov '86 at which State team selections will be made in a run up to the National State and Club Cup Championships also to be held here in the ACT over the January long weekend next year.

The season commences at the beginning of September, and registrations can be made between 9am — 4pm daily at the ACTISA's office at the ACT Sports House, Room 11b, Maitland St, Hackett. For further information please ring 47 5603.

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Sunday August 24 v Canberra City Olympians, Deakin Oval

Sunday August 31 v Kambah, Deakin Oval
Sunday Sept 7 v Narrabundah, away
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STAR RUSHED TO HOSPITAL

BLACKTOWN CITY's ace striker **ROBBIE SLATER** was rushed to Blacktown district hospital late last week after suffering three unexplained dizzy spells at work.

Slater, 21, remained in hospital and had a series of tests which failed to produce anything conclusive.

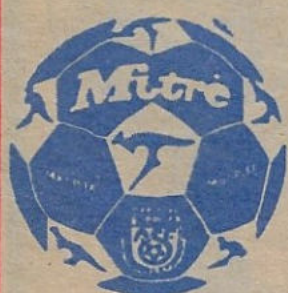
A wan looking Slater booked himself out of hospital to attend the Blacktown City — Inter Monaro game at the Gabbie Stadium.

"I don't know what the trouble can be but I am to receive an EEG test which I hope will indicate that the problem will clear up," he said.

All Soccer fans will wish this fine young player a return to full health.

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RIOT AT KNIGHT PARK- CLUB PRESIDENT RUSHED TO HOSPITAL

PRESIDENT of NSW State League club, Auburn Uruguay, Mr Washington Vinales, was rushed to Fairfield District Hospital after allegedly suffering severe head injuries after a riot broke out right on fulltime at Knight Park.

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

At the conclusion of the match Avala vs Auburn Uruguay spectators jostled one another near the dressing rooms as players left the field.

Friction had built up during the game as players showed open animosity towards one another.

Finally Avala had their striker, Tommy Radak, sent off in the 60th minute by referee Mr Phil Torpy on a report by one of his linesmen.

This was the fourth time in four weeks that Avala has had one of their players sent off.

The referee also was forced to stop the game for a few minutes to clear some supporters who had encroached into a roped-off area behind one of the goals.

With only two policemen at a match which had attracted 1200 people, Avala's team manager, Mr Bajo Rodic, sensed the hostility in the crowd and called for police back up.

Within minutes, another six officers arrived and everything seemed to be under control.

But right on fulltime,

and right in front of the police, scuffles flared up at the dressing rooms involving players, officials and supporters.

During the scuffle, Auburn Uruguay's president was allegedly felled by a blow to the head.

Frantic club officials from both sides desperately tried to pull people aside.

Mr Rodic, told A.S.W. last night: "It all happened in seconds as the crowd was already riled, and punches were thrown."

"It was an incident that should never have happened and was very bad for Soccer," Mr Rodic said.

Auburn Uruguay's press secretary, Mr Julio Arias, told A.S.W. last night:

"There are some sick people around and unfortunately our president was attacked from behind. The police however already know who the main culprit was who felled him with a blow to the head."

Mr Arias went on to say: "There are also

many fine people in the Avala club. Many of our own committee who are businessmen have friends on the Avala committee. It is a great shame.

"I personally felt very sick watching people fighting with the police as idiotic supporters joined in," Mr Arias said.

Police last night were expected to lay charges on one person who was involved in the fracas.

And the match? Auburn-Uruguay 2 Avala 1.

GALAXY OF TOP STARS

THE Czechs have many stars that Australia will have to closely monitor in the two remaining games.

First there is their 30

NEWCASTLE TRIPS OFF TO TASMANIA

BY DAVE WILLIAMS

THE NNSW Soccer Federation will send a state representative team to Tasmania in October for one interstate fixture.

It will be the first time a Northern NSW State side has played in Tasmania.

The team will leave Newcastle on Saturday October 4, play Tasmania in Hobart in a night fixture on October 6 and return the following day.

NNSW Director of Coaching Ken Kaiser will select 13 players for the tour to make up the bulk of the party of 17.

He will choose his squad from players in the NNSW Tooheys premiership and those eligible under dual registration with National League club Newcastle

Rosebud United.

Meanwhile Belmont Swansea winger Craig Jones played his 100th game with the Belswans against Newcastle Austral on August 3.

Jones, a former full-back, is now well established as a right-side attacker whose speed and skill demands close attention from rival defenders.

But despite his value he was unable to do anything to prevent 1985 premier Belmont Swansea from suffering a 1-0 defeat by Austral that threatens his team's 1986 premiership prospects.

year old captain who wears the Number 7 shirt, Jan Fiala, who toured Australia in 1980. Fiala is a composed, intelligent, well-experienced free-back and playmaker who makes his authority felt with his magnificent distribution and organisational qualities.

Centre-back and wearing shirt Number 8 is Josef Novak, who scored last Sunday against Australia in Melbourne. At 30 years of age and also from the Dukla Prague club along with his captain Fiala,

the pair form a deadly defending duo.

Both these defenders contribute enormously when Czechoslovakia is on the attack.

The strike-line of No 12, Miroslav Siva, No 11 Lubos Kubik and No 13 Milan Luhovy is a deadly three-pronged force.

This trio has the ability to stretch any defence apart.

Yet another star in Czechoslovakia's ranks is their 28 year old midfielder wearing the No 17 shirt, Jan Kocian, who is highly skilled and a great schemer.

NSW AMATEUR SOCCER FEDERATION

SYDNEY BRANCH

YOUTH LEAGUE PLAY-OFFS

SEMI-FINALS SAT. AUGUST 9

UNDER 13, KICK-OFF 10AM

Marconi/South Dists v Blacktown City
Croatia v St George
Marconi/South Dists v Granville
Illawarra v Bankstown

Mt Druitt Town
Lambert Park
Bates Drive
Towradgi Park

UNDER 14, KICK-OFF 11.40AM

Marconi v Ku-ring-gai
Croatia v Blacktown
Sydney City v Granville
Sydney Olympic v South Dists

Towradgi Park
Mt Druitt Town
Lambert Park
Bates Drive

UNDER 15, KICK-OFF 1.20PM

Melita Eagles v Blacktown City
Croatia v APIA-Leichhardt
Sutherland v Rockdale
Sydney Olympic v Central Coast

Mt Druitt Town
Bates Drive
Towradgi Park
Lambert Park

UNDER 16, KICK-OFF 3PM

Sydney Olympic v St George/South Dists
Marconi v Canterbury-Marr
Macarthur v Blacktown Assn
Croatia v North Bankstown

Lambert Park
Towradgi Park
Bates Drive
Mt Druitt Town

FINALS

TUES AUGUST 12
UNDER 13 & 14 GRADES
(Teams to be determined)

SEYMOUR SHAW PARK,
MIRANDA

ERNIE SMITH PARK,
MOOREBANK
6.30pm & 8pm

WED AUGUST 13
UNDER 15 & 16 GRADES
(Teams to be determined)

SEYMOUR SHAW PARK,
MIRANDA

ERNIE SMITH PARK,
MOOREBANK
6.30pm & 8pm

GRAND FINALS

SAT AUGUST 16

U13 1PM
U14 2.45PM
U15 4.30PM
U16 6.30PM

MARCONI STADIUM,
BOSSLEY PARK

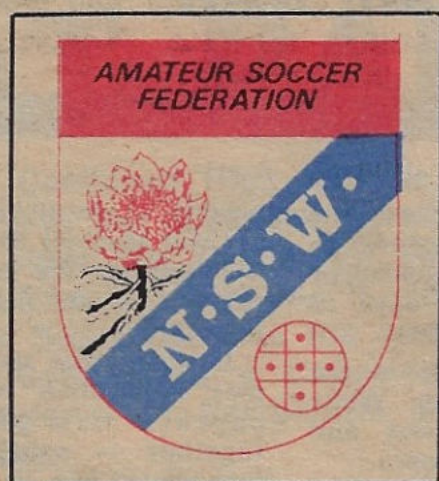
PLAY-OFFS

3RD & 4TH PLACES
SUN AUG 17

U13 10AM
U14 11.40AM
U15 1.20PM
U16 3PM

GABBIE STADIUM,
SEVEN HILLS

NSW AMATEUR SOCCER FEDERATION



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UNDER 16 STATE CUP FINAL

Kick-Off 9.30am

"Seymour Shaw" Central Ave, Miranda

Castle Hill (White/Emerald Green Trim)

1. S. Smart
2. A. Wiles
3. W. Forrester
4. M. Adams
5. B. Harding
6. C. Bowman
7. A. Babazogli
8. A. Day
9. C. Kriaris
10. R. Gasanc
11. K. Rowntree
12. A. Woods
13. G. Hudson
14. D. Lesslie
15. P. Cormack
Coach: V. Lesslie
Manager: L. Lesslie

Rd 1 Beat Greenacre 4-2
Rd 2 Drew Greenacre 1-1
Rd 3 Beat St Ives 3-0
Rd 4 Bye
Rd 5 Beat Chullora 3-1
Rd 6 Beat Nth Epping Rangers 5-1

Kingsgrove Olympians (Blue/White Stripes)

1. P. Xamplas
2. C. Cottaris
3. N. Drosinos
4. G. Skanavis
5. B. Diamontopoulous
6. N. Bozionelos
7. A. Giotas
8. N. Theodorou
9. C. Kyriacou
10. A. Kotsifas
11. C. Sourlangos
12. G. Boulos
13. J. Karipis
14. S. Panagakis
15. P. Tassis
Coach: B. Tsabounieris
Manager: M. Tsabounieris

Rd 1 Beat Lidcombe 2-0
Rd 2 Beat Lidcombe 4-1
Rd 3 Beat Sans Souci 4-0
Rd 4 Beat Hornsby Hts 4-0
Rd 5 Beat Bathurst '75 3-2
Rd 6 Beat Engadine Eagles 1-0

UNDER 18 STATE CUP FINAL

Kick-Off 1:15pm

"Seymour Shaw" Central Ave, Miranda

Sydney United (White/Red Trim)

1. H. Kogyigit
2. M. Hanci
3. M. Higgins
4. H. Ugar
5. S. Mueyesser
6. C. Hung
7. K. Onay
8. M. Evirgen
9. S. Birol
10. I. Tuysuz
11. S. Akyal
12. A. Yag
Coach: A. Karabulut

Rd 1 Beat Miranda 2-0
Rd 2 Beat Miranda 2-0
Rd 3 Bye
Rd 4 Beat St Christophers 3-0
Rd 5 Beat Marrickville 3-1
Rd 6 Beat Ingleburn Eagles 4-1

Panania RSL (White/Royal & Gold Strips)

1. S. Newey
2. N. Fox
3. R. Hay
4. A. Wise
5. B. Smith
6. D. Grey
7. M. Parkins
8. S. Bartley
9. M. Miles
10. M. Beck
11. Y. Bridge
12. B. Psaroudis
13. J. Fletcher
14. M. Barclay
15. S. Parmenter
16. G. Mansfield
17. L. Page
Coach: R. Potter
Manager: L. Bartley

Rd 1 Beat Granville Waratahs 7-0
Rd 2 Beat Granville Waratahs 7-1
Rd 3 Bye
Rd 4 Beat Engadine Eagles 5-2
Rd 5 Bye
Rd 6 Beat Nth Epping Rangers 4-3

CUP FINAL

ALL AGE AUSTRALLOYD AMATEUR CUP FINAL

Kick-Off 6.00pm

"Seymour Shaw" Central Ave, Miranda

Kirrawee (Red/White Trim)

1. L. Oakey
2. I. Power
3. M. Lewis
4. K. Hall
5. M. Edwards
6. R. Johnson
7. D. Harrison
8. S. Keating
9. G. Holland
10. P. Hall
11. C. Holland
12. S. Boots
13. D. Duncan
14. M. Howden
15. C. Harris
16. A. Dunne
17. B. Stannard
Coach: B. Hatch

Rd 1 Beat Canterbury 4-3
Rd 2 Beat Georges River 9-2
Rd 3 Beat West Pymble 2-1
Rd 4 Bye
Rd 5 Beat Yoogali 2-1
Rd 6 Beat Lugarno 6-0

Menai Hawks (Brown/Gold Trim)

1. B. Coates
2. D. Rendell
3. G. Gill
4. A. Dal'santo
5. G. Thomas
10. G. Byles
14. R. Judd
17. A. Judd
18. W. Chapman
19. G. Watson
21. R. Rose
23. A. Griffiths
24. J. Beater
25. J. Gray
26. A. Smart

Rd 1 Beat Nth Ryde RSL 9-0
Rd 2 Beat Dubbo South 8-0
Rd 3 Beat Panania RSL 1-0
Rd 4 Bye
Rd 5 Beat Greenacre 1-0
Rd 6 Beat Hurstville RSL 1-0

UNDER 14 STATE CUP FINAL

"Seymour Shaw" Central Ave, Miranda

Earlwood Wanderers (Yellow/Black Trim)

1. A. Nicolas
2. G. Vaccaro
3. J. Kairouz
4. A. Kourafas
5. J. Stone
6. C. Kattar
7. D. Abihaber
8. P. Rigon
9. A. Chamoun
10. C. Boland
11. B. Myrth
12. N. Battah
13. J. McCall
14. M. Chatto

Rd 1 Beat Panania RSL 5-1
Rd 2 Lost Panania RSL 0-1
Rd 3 Beat Bankstown DSC 3-2
Rd 4 Beat Chullora 2-1
Rd 5 Bye
Rd 6 Beat Winston Hills 2-1

Sydney United (White/Red Trim)

1. H. Arslan
2. A. Tokdogan
3. M. Kadayisli
4. H. Orlic
5. I. Keselik
6. B. Ceylan
7. A. Kilic
8. C. Oluklu
9. A. Abdu
10. U. Evirigen
11. A. Karapinar
Coach: H. Hanci

Rd 1 Beat Miranda 3-0
Rd 2 Beat Miranda 6-1
Rd 3 Beat Rangers 4-0
Rd 4 Beat Londonderry 5-1
Rd 5 Bye
Rd 6 Beat Ingleburn Eagles 2-0



UNDER 21 ROBERTSON CUP FINAL

Kick-Off 3.30pm

"Seymour Shaw" Central Ave, Miranda

Panania RSL (White/Royal/Gold Stripes)

1. G. Smith
2. M. Sharpe
3. P. Druce
4. J. Drinnan
5. A. Beckers
6. D. Leach
7. T. Ormrod
8. R. Falzmann
9. C. Randall
10. L. Moon
11. G. Toms
12. S. Williams
13. Y. Reynolds
14. D. Holmes
15. De'Lissa

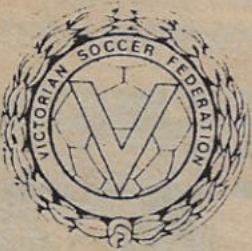
Rd 1 Beat Cromer 1-0
Rd 2 Beat Kirrawee 5-1
Rd 3 Bye
Rd 4 Beat Engadine Eagles 3-0
Rd 5 Bye
Rd 6 Beat Liverpool Albion 4-0

Castle Hill (White/Emerald Green)

1. L. Mitchell
2. S. Lesslie
3. D. Moore
4. W. Carr
5. R. Smart
6. G. Laws
7. M. Bergin
8. M. Albury
9. M. Phillips
10. I. Allmey
11. P. Jackson
12. D. Cozier
13. S. Whitfield
14. B. Polding
15. R. Belmar
Coach: M. Albury
Manager: D. Moore

Rd 1 Beat Earlwood Wanderers 5-1
Rd 2 Beat Miranda Magpies 6-2
Rd 3 Bye
Rd 4 Beat Lilli Pilli (pen) 4-2
Rd 5 Bye
Rd 6 Beat Quakers Hill 3-2

The State League Story



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"I SHOULD HAVE GOT THE SACK" — SAYS PENRITH'S DALGLEISH

PENRITH CITY's results for the early part of the year were so ordinary that coach Vic Dalglish admits that he could have been despatched by the management well before the half way point.

BY KEITH GILMOUR

But probably the executive, led by president Frank Ferrari and secretary Gino Manne, saw that the was something in the pipeline.



VIC DALGLEISH — the great survivor.

Dalglish received the benefit of the doubt and lately the dividends have been coming.

But Dalglish could hardly be blamed for Penrith City's unhappy State League start after being dumped from the NSL.

They did not have the resources for the top league and coming back to State League left them with only Don Campbell, Mickey Cross, Ian Hunter and Peter Brogan, with youngster Randell Easthorpe giving a hand.

Players were despondent — how could they be other.

"I had to get them to think again," is the way Dalglish puts it.

From the Youth League side came two handy under 18s, Scottish-born Stuart McLeod and local aboriginal lad John Ginn.

Fortunately Bobby Hebb came back and them Penrith had a big break through when Alex Jamieson joined up.

DERISION

All this was well and good but the many teams above Penrith were looking over their shoulders — and laughing.

The idea was to have the players trying to do things and in an individual sense enjoying the game.

A team of misfits and rejects was being converted into something much better for the Cook Park outfit.

Mike Quarmby and Ian Shaw arrived from Blacktown City for \$500 each.

They too were afraid to try things at the start and that led to mistakes but now they have turned the corner.

Dalglish contacted

former Auburn star Ron Gisborne in a bid to pep up the goalkeeping department.

Business interest prevented Gisborne from accepting the invitation but he had this eyes open.

He recommended Darryl Edwards from Moorebank junior club and he is going well.

THAT BLOW

Sid Blow was the man who then came into calculations.

Englishman Blow had been the understudy to Bill Brown as goalkeeper in the golden days of Tottenham Hotspur.

He was there in the days of Mackay, White and Blanchflower and he knows the ropes.

Goalkeeping training was of a very high order and this essential area was receiving due attention.

With this overall base finally established, the "Mountain Men" are set to at least worry all opposition on the run home.

All the more so because of two 'hunters'.

HUNTING DUO

Ian Hunter, who had

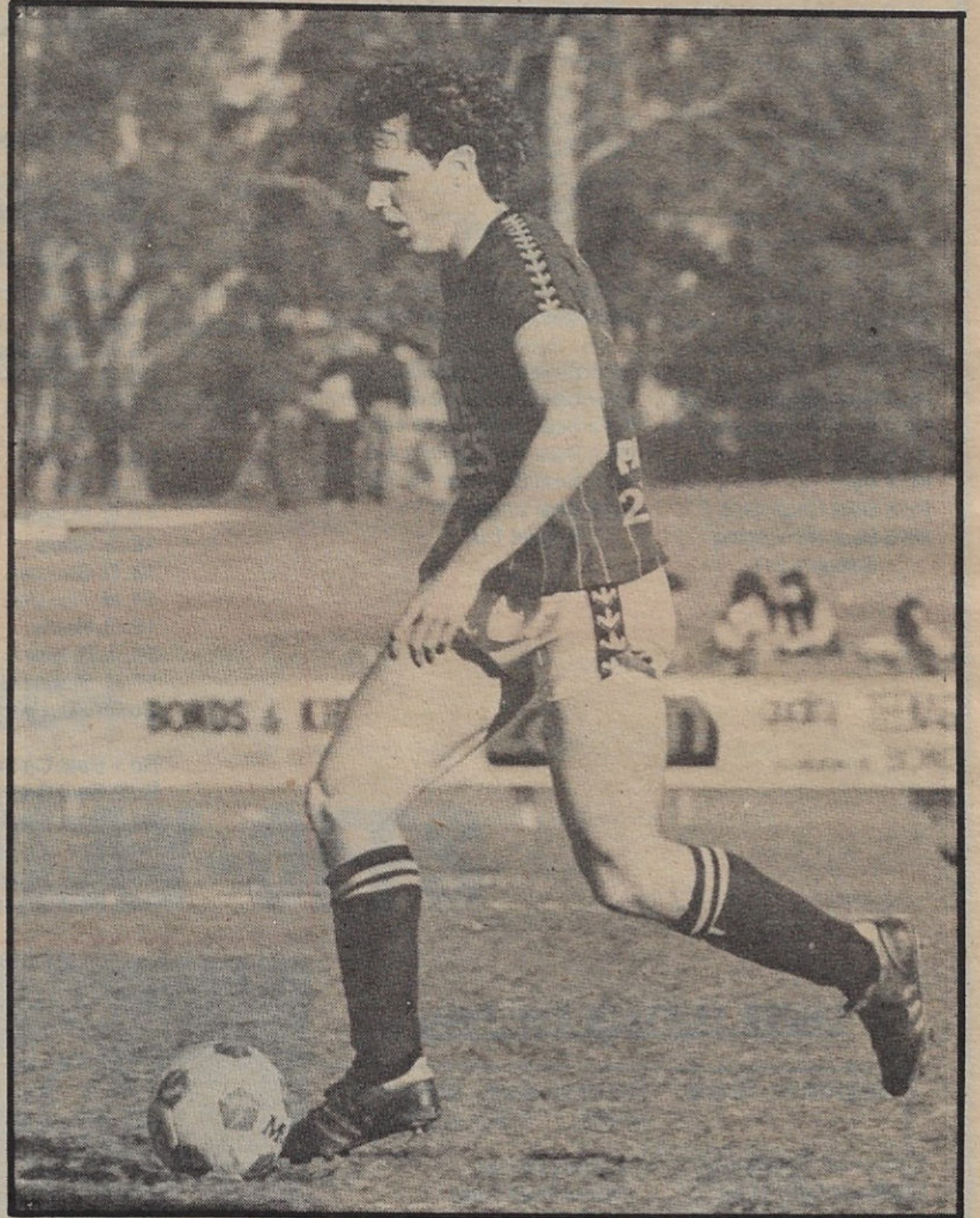
trouble in justifying his \$14,000 Marconi to Penrith transfer fee in the NSL, is at the peak of his form.

It seems that the former Australian Youth captain has put it together — something that eluded him so often due to the trilogy of injury, fluctuating form and opportunity.

The other old hand who has aided the team is manager David Hunter.

It was this Hunter who had headed up the Penrith United club as president when Stan Ackerley was coach.

"He had a strong and understanding shoulder to lean on when times were bad," Dalglish allowed.



IAN HUNTER — putting it all together.

POLONIA PLUGS ON WITH SOBCZYK AT THE HELM

HENRI SOBCZYK would be first to admit that, in a football sense, he is no chicken.

But by the same token it was the same Henri, who had no intention of making a come back, but who is again acting as the midfield generalissimo of the team.

Polonia are not travelling all that well, but they are far from being easybeats.

One thing that has counted against them this year is those hiccups in the goalscoring department.

The team itself is a continuation of last year's squad but often when Stefan Janic is on the injured list then Andrej Pop is playing and vice versa.

Only too often both of them have not been in service at the one time.

Two players in Steve Anderson and Ivan Chau are showing out

well. Both are Polonia products.

Allan Robertson, who started out in the Kuring-gai ranks is defending well, as is Mark Pratt, the full-back who went to Avala and then Returned to the club.

Another local who is a big asset both in defence and in supporting the attack is that slightly built worker, Ron Geekie.

Polonia brought Jurek Drys out to Sydney in mid 1985 as an attacking midfielder.

He took time to settle in, but the club's management and followers feel that he could be one of the club's best assets over the balance of the season.

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TNT SKYPAK
THE WORLD WIDE COURIERS

NSW SOCCER FEDERATION

SATURDAY 9th AUGUST

STATE LEAGUE 2nd DIVISION

Cant. & Dist.	vs Nth Bankstown	Blick Oval
Kingsford Hellenic	vs Queens Park	Kensington Oval
Artarmon	vs Dee Why	Artarmon Res

STATE LEAGUE 3rd DIVISION

Campbelltown	vs Baulkham Hills	Bensley Road
Mt Druitt	vs Rooty Hill	Popondetta Pk
Nth Ryde	vs West United	Magdala Pk
Bondi Marine	vs Granville Chile	Waverley Oval

INTER URBAN 1st DIVISION

West St George	vs Nineveh Eagles	Gannons Pk
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INTER URBAN 2nd DIVISION

Maroubra United	vs Rosebery	Coral Sea Pk
Macquarie Uni	vs Hurstville	Macquarie Uni Ov
Dulwich Hill	vs Green Valley	Mahoney Oval

INTER URBAN 3rd DIVISION

Chullora	vs Robins	Roberts Park
Concord Juniors	vs Welcome Sports	Edwards Pk
Sydney Maccabi	vs Lansvale	Heffron Pk

INTER URBAN 4th DIVISION

Argentinian	vs Lithgow	Wilson Pk
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INTER URBAN 5th DIVISION

Orange Waratah	vs Cobreloa	Waratah S/G
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PLEASE NOTE: There will be no matches played on Sunday the 10th of August in the NSW Federation and TNT Skypak League due to the Australia v Czechoslovakia international. All matches are rescheduled in due course . . .

STATE LEAGUE ROUND UP

MELITA THROWS DOWN THE GAUNTLET

MELITA threw down the gauntlet to front-runners Manly when it annihilated second-placed Ku-ring-gai 3-0 in front of 1200 spectators in the match of the round at Parklands Oval.

It was the first time the locals had suffered a home defeat this season and the manner in which Melita outclassed the Northerners suggests that Manly does not have a mortgage on the State League title.

The first half was fairly even and it looked as though both teams could be locked at 0-0 at the break until Andrew Callanan rocked the Ku-ring-gai defence in the 45th minute with a scorching 30-metre drive which scraped the inside of the right post.

From them on Melita totally dominated the match and it came as no surprise when Paul McFadden deflected John Foxman's cross from the left flank past keeper, Andrew Lacey, in the 53rd minute for Melita's second goal.

Melita continued to press forward and scored again in the 83rd minute when Wayne Farnsworth crossed to Jim Meerbani who found the net with a powerful six-metre header.

John Foxman, Ray Farrugia and Ken Wilson played splendidly for Melita while Chris Quigley and Craig Bass stood out for the locals.

MELITA: Pupovac, McCoy, Williams, Wilson, Gregson, Callanan, Farrugia, Farnsworth, McFadden, Foxman, Dalton (Meerbani 70min).

KU-RING-GAI: Lacey, Kevern, Goldworthy, Bertram (Ferguson 79min), Watson, Groome, Sutherland, Williamson, Nile, Bass, Quigley.

FAIRY MEADOW 3 PENRITH 5

A hat-trick by Penrith's Stuart McLeod helped his team to bounce back to the winner's circle with a 5-3 win over bottom-placed Fairy Meadow at Corrimall Memorial Park.

McLeod's swag of goals capped an eventful day for Penrith in which four of its players scored hat-tricks — 2 in third

BY STEVE SHELDON

grade and one in second grade.

The first half of the game was fairly even, punctuated only by goals to Fairy Meadow in the 18th minute and McLeod in the 42nd minute.

But in the second half, Penrith stormed to the lead with goals in the 60th, 67th and 70th minutes by Ian Shaw, Donny Campbell and McLeod respectively.

The locals got back into the match with two goals in the 76th and 78th minutes but their efforts came to nothing when McLeod put the result beyond doubt with a penalty two minutes into injury time.

Best players for Penrith were McLeod, Campbell and Ian Shaw while Paul Kirwan stood out for Fairy Meadow.

PENRITH: Edwards, Hatton, Hebb, Campbell, Shaw, Jamieson, Thompson, Cross, Quarby, Martinez, McLeod.

AVALA 1 AUBURN 2

A GOAL three minutes from full-time enabled Uruguayan Auburn to edge out Avala 2-1 in a hard, often rough match at Knight Park.

For the fourth game in succession, Avala had a player sent off. This time it was striker Tommy Radak who was shown the red card, after a linesman's report.

Auburn struck first after nine minutes thanks to a 20-metre power drive by Fraser Campbell but they surrendered the lead in the 40th minute when Ross Brown found the net from 16 metres.

The locals almost stole the lead three minutes from full-time when a shot by Mickey Bratkovic went just

wide of the post. They could only look on in despair soon after when Raul Carizzo slammed a 10 metre drive into the back of the Avala net.

Glen Jefferies and Alvaro Perdomo stood out for Auburn while Ross Brown was Avala's best player.

(A scuffle broke out at the conclusion of the match in front of the dressing room area. Full report, see page 12.)

AVALA: Thurlow, Blackburn, Divani, (Bratkovic 45min), Brown, Steven, Stamenkovic, Blazic, Jefferies, Radak, Filipovic, Kodor.

AUBURN: Rossano, O'Donnell, Tomasic, Woods, Hastie, Mosquera, Perdomo, Cuba, Calcaterra (Van Helden 70min), Jenc, Carizzo.

W'GAH F'WATER 3 W'GONG MAC 0

WARRINGAH Freshwater caused the shock of the round when it trounced Wollongong Macedonia 3-0 at Narrabeen Fitness Centre.

The win represented only the locals' fifth point from their last 8 matches.

Warringah pressed forward from the start and went ahead in the ninth minute through Martin Driene and scored again in the 53rd minute when Mick Berry converted a penalty after Driene was fouled in the Wollongong penalty area.

Wollongong attacked more strongly in the latter stages of the match but could do nothing to stop the visitors adding a third goal in the 72nd minute when substitute striker, Frank Speranza, picked up a loose ball in midfield, beat three defenders and slammed a rocket-like shot past keeper, Geoff Robinson.

WARRINGAH: Smith, Watt, Sterrey, J. Bottalico (Friend 89min), Casacchia, Tkachuk, Berry, Driene (Speranza 65min), Corrigan, Burke, A. Bottalico.

WOLLONGONG: G. Robinson, Muhlbauer (Muzik 35min), Ruskin, Talevski, Sweeney, Melbourne, Sattin, Bingham, King, B. Robinson, Giraldi (Davkovski 65min).

ROCKDALE 0 SUTHERLAND 3

SUTHERLAND's charge up the State League ladder continued when it crushed Rockdale Ilinden 3-0 in front of a crowd of 2000 people in an exciting clash at Seymour Shaw Park.

While Rockdale had the upper hand during the scoreless first half, Sutherland came out after the break with all guns firing.

The locals broke the ice in the 49th minute when Steve Meades blasted an astonishing 35 metre drive into the back of the Rockdale net and Craig Hill nodded Sutherland further ahead in the 68th minute after good lead-up work on the right flank by Scott Hughes.

Hill scored again soon after following a pass by Greg Lerond and the 17-year-old striker has now scored 6 goals in his 3 appearances in first grade.

Hill and Meades were outstanding for Sutherland while Darren Wilson and the skilful Grbevski and Torteviski always looked dangerous for Rockdale.

SUTHERLAND: Burchmore, Cashman, Lerond, Terry, Burrows, Parsons, Meades, Harrington, Johnston, Hughes, Hill.

ROCKDALE: Berry, D. Wilson, Grbevski, G. Wilson, Rodas, Torteviski, Genovese, Darlington, Nasteviski, Nastoshi, Risteviski.

POLONIA 0 MANLY 2

MANLY-Warringah took another giant stride toward wrapping up the State League title with a rather unconvincing 2-0 win over Polonia in a hard, uncompromising duel at Chopin Park.

While the locals' forwards failed to capitalise on numerous scoring opportunities, Manly accepted its few chances and might well feel fortunate to have taken both points.

Manly went ahead after 27 minutes when Jimmy Campbell's 10 metre shot was only parried by keeper Stephen Anderson, into the path of defender Allan Robertson who appeared to put the ball in his own net while trying to clear it off the line.

Five minutes from full-time, Manly increased its margin when Paul Marshall angled a 20 metre drive inside the left post after a Manly free-kick had ricocheted off the Polonia wall.

Allan Robertson and Quyen Chau were outstanding for Polonia while Marshall, Campbell and John Dick stood out for Manly.

POLONIA: Anderson, Chau, Pratt, Kulwicki, Robertson, Geekie, Sobczyk, Parker (Drys 55min), Lucchesi (Colusso 65min) Janic, Pop.

MANLY: Cattin, Dennis, Van Egmond, Dick, Robin, Marshall, Campbell, Dean, Allan (Davidson 80min), McIntosh, Stuart (Hetherington 75min).

TNT SKYPAK STATE LEAGUE DIV 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manly	18	9	7	2	23	9	25
Melita	18	8	7	3	31	11	23
Sutherland	18	9	4	5	21	14	22
Ku-ring-gai	18	7	8	3	20	14	22
Wollongong	18	6	8	4	12	11	20
Rockdale	18	8	4	6	30	21	20
Auburn	18	4	9	5	14	18	17
Warringah F/W	18	7	3	8	29	31	17
Polonia	18	5	6	7	21	28	16
Avala	18	5	4	9	17	28	14
Penrith City	18	6	2	10	26	41	14
Fairy Meadow	18	2	2	14	17	35	6

TNT SKYPAK SOCCER LEAGUE

	1st	2nd	3rd
Ku-ring-gai v Melita Eagles	0-3	1-2	1-6
Avala v Uruguayan Auburn	1-2	2-1	1-0
Polonia v Manly Warringah	0-2	0-1	0-3
Rockdale Ilinden v Sutherland	0-3	0-1	0-2
Warringah F/Water v Wollongong Mac	3-0	2-0	0-2
Fairy Meadow v Penrith	3-5	2-3	0-6

STATE LEAGUE SECOND DIVISION

SSC Yugal v Kingsford Hellenic	4-1	3-0	2-4
Blacktown Utd v Bankstown Leb	3-1	8-0	BL for
Dee Why v Bathurst '75	0-0	1-0	1-3
Nth Bankstown v Campbelltown City	3-0	4-0	1-0
Cant. & Dist. v Queens Park	0-4	0-4	1-0
Gladesville Hornsby v Artarmon	1-0	1-0	Art for

MERGER FOR GRANVILLE AND BLACKTOWN CITY

GRANVILLE Soccer Football Association president Roy Galvin and Blacktown City president Paul Morrison have signed an agreement to merge the youth interests of both organisations.

As a result the NSW Youth League arrangements of both bodies will be combined, with costs shared 50/50.

Mr Galvin told ASW: "Our management committee and the general council meeting approved the amalgamation.

"We feel that it can bring boys from our Association through to high class football in orderly progression.

"Our clubs realise that there is a gap for ambitious players after they reach U16s in the Youth League.

"They continue to have the right to find places for themselves wherever they wish if they do not move into Blacktown City's

teams."

Mr Morrison said that his club would see that there would be a professional approach to the continued development of youth football in the area.

The successful Blacktown Academy would be utilised to build players from the Granville District.

Both Granville Association and Blacktown City will have representatives on each other's committees.

Throughout the current season Demons players have been visiting junior clubs to assist in their development programmes.

This service will be continued with the

Granville district junior clubs.

Blacktown City secretary Peter Thorne allowed that the arrangement entered into with Granville had taken place after Blacktown Association had not been interested in it.

The Blacktown District SFA has been fiercely independent and has centred itself in the Mt Druiit area.

Once Granville Association had the Granville (later Granville-Parramatta and Parramatta City) clubs to look to.

However times have changed and now Granville Association and neighbouring Blacktown City have ended up in the one camp.

He holds a diploma in physical education majoring in football coaching from the University of Belgrade.

With him in Sydney is wife Zlata, daughter Gordana (who is Australian born) and son Goran.

He is ready to coach highly ambitious senior clubs and the contact point is (02) 610 4713.

STATE STORY P 2



COACH LUKIC SEEKS A SYDNEY CLUB

CLUBS at National League or State League level who are looking for a vastly experienced coach could do very well to have a yarn to Milan Lukic.

Recently arrived in Sydney from Yugoslavia, he has had remarkable experience in that country as well as Africa.

And on top of that he

BY KEITH GILMOUR

had a season with Yugal in Sydney back in 1970 when the great Ferdo Dunaj was player-coach and Joe Alagich was cutting a swathe up the right wing.

In his playing days Lukic was a goalkeeper with OFK Belgrade in the Yugoslav First Division, later moving to Macua Sabac in the Second Division.

He joined Armenia

Bilefeld and had two years in the West German Bundesliga in 1966/67, and toured the United States with the club.

Then followed a short term with Yugal and next with South Australian champions Juventus.

Next commenced a highly successful coaching career.

In Nigeria in 1976/78 he was team coach under Tiko Jelesevic, the manager-coach, with

the Nigerian National team.

His next move was to Ghana as national coach where he had control of the "Black Stars of Ghana" in the 12th African Cup of Nations in 1980.

The Ghana team was aiming for the 1980 Olympic Games tournament in Moscow, but Lukic left the country when the government boycotted the Games.

Off then to Cameroon where he had the job of preparing the National youth team, which succeeded in winning a place — and a great reputation — in the World Youth Cup held in Australia in 1981.

Lukic was forced to remain in Cameroon rather than coming on to revisit Australia as he was preparing the Natio-

nal team in its quest for a place in the 1982 World Cup in Spain.

He returned to Yugoslavia and continued his coaching career with Rudar Trbolie in the National Second division, Guevo

B. Koviliaca and Rudar Kostolac in the Serbian second and first divisions respectively.

During his time in Yugoslavia he was well known to Australian national coach Frank Arok.



MILAN LUKIC is greeted by the President of Ghana.

THE QUEENSLAND REPORT

With Greg Russell

CALVIN UNDAUNTED IN SCORING RACE

WHILE the race for Queensland's XXXX League premiership is hotter than ever, an equally intense struggle is continuing for the mantle of leading scorer.

And in an unusual twist, all four players setting the pace are former Lions NSL squad members.

Prior to last weekend's round 13 matches, the XXXX League leading scorer was Taringa's Calvin Daunt, who transferred to Speare Park from Richlands earlier this year. Daunt had netted 10 times in a 16-goal striking partnership with Phil "magical" Mulvey.

Keeping the pressure on Daunt was Easts Jim McDonagh, with a total of nine goals. McDonagh also transferred away from Lions this year in a \$4000 double package with Phil Redmond.

Redmond also is

among the leading scorers with a total of seven.

Also on seven goals is Lions striker Tom McGregor, which is a fine total considering he has missed several XXXX League matches because of NSL call-ups.

Just behind the leaders on six-goals are Mulvey and Mark Brusasco, the former Brisbane City, Ipswich United and Easts striker, now playing the best football of his career with competition leaders Coalstars.

Coalstars and Easts, the two teams which have dominated the XXXX League this season, meet in the match of the round this weekend. It will be a big fortnight for the Brian-

Styles-coached Coalstars.

Next week the clubs meet North Star in the final of the \$6000 Ampol Statewide knockout cup at Perry Park. Coalstars have not won the trophy since 1965 while North Star are aiming for their third consecutive victory.

North Star will warm-up for the Cup hat-trick when they meet Ipswich United at O'Callaghan Park this week. North Star's form has been in-different in recent weeks and coach Iain Fagan will be looking for a morale-boosting performance this weekend.

Other XXXX League matches this week see Mount Gravatt host Lions, Olympic United take on Grange Thistle and Wynnum meet Taringa.

FALCONER DEAL FAILS AS CLUBS FACE PRESSURE

SYDNEY CITY midfielder Peter Falconer's "guest appearances" with Brisbane City have come to an end.

It seems the Brisbane club has terminated a hurriedly organised transfer-deadline beating loan agreement.

Falconer played just three games with City in an unusual arrangement which saw him flown to Brisbane for the club's home games and picking up their southbound flights in Sydney for the club's Melbourne matches.

But that all came to an end a week ago when the former Manly player was subbed at halftime in City's record 0-6 defeat by Heidelberg United at Spencer Park.

"Peter was not the immediate success we had hoped for," City coach Billy Wilkinson said.

"I suppose a lot of pressure was put on the lad, but at this stage I cannot see the club bringing him here from Sydney."

It is not known whether any fees are owing between the two clubs involved but the whole experience no doubt has left Falconer and Brisbane City fans disappointed.

City play Lions in what will be their final NSL derby at Spencer Park this weekend. The two clubs are certain to be axed from the National competition and are expected to return to the Queensland Soccer Federation's XXXX League, where, constitutionally, places have always been kept open for them.

Both clubs apparently have the intention of returning to the National League as soon as possible by winning the XXXX League then the interstate play-off, but that task may be harder than they realise.

Both City and Lions face an exodus of players, to both interstate and local clubs. The locals particularly have been just waiting for City and Lions to fall before they pounce in with offers for players. A transfer market boom is almost a foregone conclusion — and that could force some local clubs to their financial extremes.

Looking at both squads, it is not hard to single out players who will be targeted.

At Lions, Socceroo squad member Russell Stewart faces a tough task. To keep his place in the squad he almost certainly will have to go south. But he has just married and built a new home in Brisbane and may be reluctant to move.

Former young Socceroo Danny Wright is another who will have to consider a southern move if he hopes to realise his ambition of

winning the green and gold.

Lions' three imports Scotsmen Frank Liddell and Jim Morton and Irishman David Richardson also face uncertain futures.

Liddell could command a place in any NSL team and may be chased by Melbourne clubs while Morton impressed Sydney City's Eddie Thomson earlier this year. Richardson has strong ties with at least one local Brisbane club.

Lions striker Tom McGregor has been chased for the past few seasons by XXXX League clubs and no doubt will get offers again this year. Lions captain John Stewart may look south or may be lured by his local junior club Mount Gravatt.

Alan Niven has said he will return to England while Steve Jackson, who was chased by Melbourne Croatia last year and in fact lived in Melbourne for three months during the last off-season, may follow Alan Hunter south.

And it would not surprise if goalkeeper Rob Farrow returned to his former local club Acacia Ridge.

At City, the player most would have their eyes on would be Irish striker Kieran Cooper. Cooper has been a consistent goalscorer in a poor team and one wonders just how well he would have gone among better company. That potential could be realised next season.

Sweeper Steve Perry had two seasons in the local competition before

returning to City this year and a move to another local club would not surprise. Similarly, Glenn Archer was recruited from local side Grange Thistle and may be lured back.

Goalkeeper Robert Harrison has been a great success since being signed from Victorian club Box Hill and it would not surprise if now, with NSL experience behind him, he returned to Melbourne to try his luck.

The future of City's other imports Phil White and George Caird is hard to predict but it would be unlikely both

would be retained in the local competition.

City's Italian players Frank Mengotti, Luciano Fabrizio and Alfie Catalano probably would stay at the club.

But those who may look elsewhere might include Alan Reis and Garry Bromfield while City would have to decide whether to purchase Lions' defender Rod Vasquez, currently playing on loan.

Both City and Lions directors have committed their clubs to a policy of attempting to retain as many players as possible, but it is certainly going to be an interesting off-season.



Above: DANNY WRIGHT — will he move South? Top: FRANK LIDDELL — uncertain future.

SCOTT'S 'EASTERN' SAGA

QUEENSLAND club Eastern Suburbs took decisive action when their talented import Carl Scott

ran into visa problems recently.

The pacesetter XXXX League club put the midfielder on a plane and sent him on an international flight. Scott spent several days in Hong Kong before returning on a renewed visa to see the season out with the Tigers.

Scott was signed from Hong Kong this year

after a short spell with Easts late last year. During that stint, injuries kept him on the sidelines and it was only in the last two games that he began to show glimpses of his talents.

Easts coach John Sime had no hesitation in signing him for the year and the Tigers have given some of their best performances while Scott has been in the team.



RUSSELL STEWART

LIONS ABANDON THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM

A PLAN by Brisbane Lions to push for a National League second division next season looks like falling to the wayside.

The club lobbied for support for the idea, but found few fellow threatened clubs eager to back the idea. Even Queensland neighbours Brisbane City said the second division could not be promoted.

The NSL second division proposal, although not new, was raised again last week by Lions president John Morcus — obviously in a last

ditch bid to save the club from returning to the local competition.

Mr Morcus proposed that the 10-teams which fail to make the 14-team cut go into a second division. He said he had a potential \$100,000 backer for the new division.

"A second division would cost about half a million to run. With a \$100,000 sponsorship that would mean the 10 clubs would only have to put in \$40,000 each and that is the estimated affiliation for the NSL proper if a sponsor isn't found," he said.

The idea of an NSL second division was first floated prior to the league being expanded to 24 teams. But then, as now, most clubs said they would find it difficult to promote themselves to fans and sponsors as part of a secondary national competition.

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ASW'S WRAP UP FROM AROUND AUSTRALIA

NSW NEWS

From Lindsay Hawison

CANTERBURY ON A HIGH IN OAK TURNER CUP

THE final Sydney Oak Turner Cup match for 1986 was played last Monday night at Melita Stadium in front of a large crowd of enthusiastic supporters, most decked out in the blue and white of St Dominics.

This state quarter-final encounter between St Dominics, Penrith and Canterbury Boys' High was yet another enthralling and memorable game — a fitting climax to the season for the Sydney organisers.

With the game barely started the St Dominics' fans were on their feet cheering wildly as Scott McArdle charged into

the area, where he was brought down.

Alas their cheers turned to groans as the magnificent Canterbury keeper Frank Mikuletic saved the resultant spot kick.

Even he was powerless, 10 mins later, when that man Scott McArdle rounded his marker and scored with a well-angled drive to put St

Dominics ahead.

In the remaining minutes of the first half the Canterbury defence threatened to be overrun by the continued St Dominics' onslaught led by McArdle, Jason Conn and Craig Smith but somehow held on till the interval.

Even though Canterbury came more into the game in the second half,

this period was really a saga of missed chances by St Dominics. Firstly another great save by Mikuletic, then another lovely move involving Conn and McArdle with the header going wide and yet another run down the left and the resultant shot going wide again.

However there were only three minutes re-

maining and for all its narrow misses St Dominics looked safe, when suddenly from out of the blue Steve Guirruvich scored with a rocket to equalise against the run of play.

Yet again St Dominics counter-attacked with a great run and cross, with the ball just failing to be touched in at the far post as the fulltime whistle blew.

Extra time came and went with another two narrow misses by St Dominics and no further goals. Canterbury were to decide the match on penalties for the third

time in seven matches! Poor old St Dominics! From the time their first attempt was skied, they were always going to lose and they even managed to miss yet another attempt, whilst Canterbury converted all of theirs (to the great relief of coach Steve Cavanagh).

Canterbury are now through to the semis to be played in Newcastle this month and may even be joined by another Sydney team, JJ Cahill, should they be victorious next week, against either Wade of Griffith or Kelso of Bathurst.

Illawarra Jottings

WITH PHIL MURPHY

BULLI TROTS OUT AS CHAMPIONS

AFTER beating Warilla Wanderers to take a stranglehold on the Premier League title for the second successive season Bulli boasted a very unusual record.

The Warilla game was the big one as far as coach Norm Flanagan was concerned as they are in second place and the only real threat.

After accounting for Warilla 2-0 Flanagan's team were 10 points clear with just four games to play (three points for a win).

After that win Bulli kept an unbeaten record in league matches that goes back to May last season when they lost to Aris.

The only loss Bulli have suffered since was in the grand final and the club aim to put that right at the end of next month.

Bulli have lost the last two grand finals, to Fernhill and Aris, and Flanagan says he has never known a team so

determined to make amends.

"The players have done so well in the last two seasons it seems strange that they have fallen at the grand final stage both both times," Flanagan said.

"Both times it seems they have 'frozen' with that extra bit of pressure but now our big aim is to make sure we get through the top four series and prove we can make it at the third attempt."

Cringila are out of the semi-final race after a very good start to the season and coach Darryl Glover seems certain to move on in 1987.

Glover has gained good results in his two

season with the club and is keen to go on to bigger things.

He has often been seen watching national league coaches in action, in Sydney as well as Wollongong, to learn as much as he can about his "trade."

If Fairy Meadow are looking for a coach next season Glover would seem a logical applicant regardless of what division they play in.

After the Bulli-Warilla game the only person limping towards the dressing room was Warilla coach Eddie Mullan.

Mullan had undergone a cartilage operation earlier in the week and supervised the final training session for the week on crutches.

The Warilla coach had no complaints about the loss. "They were far too good and all credit to them," Mullan said.

Nice to see a coach giving the opposition a bit of praise in this day and age — usually they lose because of the referee, the wind or anything else they can think of.

A player from the north and another from

the south of Wollongong City have made their mark in the goalscoring department this season.

Fernhill's Glen Williams has been a consistent scorer as his team battled their way out of a mid-season form slump.

An unknown at the start of the year, Williams wasted no time claiming a place in first grade and is a real opportunist.

If Fernhill make the top four, as expected, Williams could be a real surprise packed of the semi-finals.

At Shellharbour, Greg Crowl was back at his best with a hat-trick in his team's very impressive 4-1 win over Aris — a win that surprised even the keenest Shellharbour follower.

Crowl, a Shellharbour junior product, missed out on the Illawarra squad this season but would far rather help his team into the semi-finals even though the prospects look slim.

Wollongong Macedonia coach John Bingham is the only State league coach invited to attend the ASF Level Four course at the Institute of

Sport in November.

Bingham is having his first season in State League and has shown his ability to organise a team with no real stars.

Brought out from England by Safeway United back in 1971, Bingham is still playing in the Macedonia mid-field but intends having just one more season on the field.

"I have an option to carry on with Macedonia next season but my aim is to join an NSL club eventually," Bingham said.

"After taking the course in Canberra I will be off to England to link up with Sheffield Wednesday and Notts Forest to brush up on what is happening over there."

Illawarra referee David Naylor is a young man intent on making the top as a referee and he isn't lacking in ability.

In his first season as a regular in charge of Premier League games, he is also on the NSL linesmen's list.

One thing in his favour is that players are commenting on his ability and that usually

means a referee has a lot going for him.

Formerly an aggressive midfielder or defender in Illawarra, Naylor has made himself a big chance of one of the big end-of-season games in Illawarra.

It won't be much longer before he is being called on to control NSL games on a regular basis.

An amalgamation between Coniston Macedonia and Aris could be on the cards if Aris miss out on the ground they want to develop at Primbee.

Aris have a number of other groups, not involved in Soccer, competing with them for the area which is on the old Primbee tip.

This is Aris second season of sharing Kelly Park with Coniston and if they don't get their own ground within a period of three seasons they are axed from Premier League.

The Aris officials are worried at the situation and week by week the prospects of a "wedding" with Coniston appeal more.

Coniston would be in-

terested because they face relegation from the league as they are in last place with no prospects of improving.

The position Aris are in has come about because their just aren't enough grounds around for local Soccer clubs to develop.

To envisage the 12 premier league clubs all have fully enclosed grounds with proper facilities is something of a dream.

Wollongong City Council officers would no doubt agree.

The second round clash between Wollongong State League clubs Macedonia and Fairy Meadow has been held over until the end of the season.

With Macedonia having a successful season that game could well decide if they at least make the top four or even the championship.

If this is the case it could be a real "war" regardless of the fact Fairy Meadow are bottom of the league.

There is no love lost between the players in these neighbouring clubs.

Tasmania North

WITH JOHN TSCHEPPEA

JUVE DEMOLISH A TROUBLED CROATIA

LAUNCESTON Juventus handed Croatia a Soccer lesson during their 17th round State League North meeting at Prospect.

The game was evenly contested for the first 15 minutes although Juve-

tus did create more incisive scoring chances.

Ernie Guest got the

ball rolling as he took advantage of the confusion created by a near post corner to blast in a close-range shot after 16 minutes.

Fijian Kaitani continued the scoring with a solo effort — an in-swinging corner that keeper Grainger only followed into the net.

Mies followed up a free-kick by shooting through a crowd and, four minutes before half-time, Ernie Guest was again on hand to

follow up his heading chance to make it 4-0 at the interval.

Schiebl had a rare chance to score for Croatia as he intercepted a ball before it got to Dent and volleyed on the turn, only to be denied by Peter Savill.

Five minutes into the second half, a ball dinked in perfectly by Rossi, found Colin Guest whose downward header increased the lead to five goals.

Then followed a

period of non-scoring as Croatia bogged down the Juve machine.

After some 30 minutes Colin Guest started the rout again as he followed up a Davidson shot.

And the final straw came in the 38th minute when Ernie Guest converted a penalty given for hand-ball after the ball had crossed the line.

Meanwhile, Ulverstone swept Western Suburbs aside with a 6-0 hiding.

Georgetown's work-

manlike approach crushed Olympic by three goals.

And Launceston United nudged out Matric by the odd goal after their game was transferred to Brich Ave.

Round 17 results:
Georgetown 4 (Callaghan 2, Hughes, Monagle) d Riv. Olympic 1 (Taylor), Ulverstone 6 (Mitchell 2, McGrory, Sallase, J. Compagne, T. Compagne) d Western Suburbs 0, Juventus 7 (E. Guest 3, C. Guest 2,

Kaitani, Mies) d Croatia 0, Devonport 3 (M. Meldrum, Smith, Di Pietro) d Burnie 0, Launceston United 2 (Barac, Gambols) d Matric 1 (Murray).

Ladder (After Rnd 17):

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Georgetown	17	4	1	2	60	11	29
Ulverstone	16	4	1	1	15	7	29
Juventus	17	3	0	4	54	13	25
Devonport	14	1	3	3	34	17	25
Croatia	17	0	0	9	36	34	16
Burnie	16	0	0	9	27	40	13
Matric	17	0	0	12	22	36	11
Riv. Olympic	17	0	0	13	25	57	8
Launc. United	17	0	0	12	12	52	8
Western Subs.	16	0	0	13	9	71	3

Tasmania South

WITH "VAN DIEMEN"

OLYMPIA-WPL moved into third place in Southern Tasmania's Cadbury State League competition when they beat the reigning champions, Juventus-Pioneer, 4-2 midweek at KGV.

Juventus slumped to fourth spot and it now looks as if either White Eagles or Croatia-Glenorchy will win the title as they lead by three points, have a game in hand, and there are only

four matches to go.

The situation at the foot of the table is very tight with Metro-Clairemont beating Howrah 2-0 to go within a point of second-last Rapid and two points of

Howrah.

Barrell, Xanthopoulos and Nichols gave Olympia a 3-2 first-half lead against Juventus, who replied with two goals by John Broadhouse.

The second half was dull compared to the first as both sides struggled in the heavy conditions.

It wasn't until five minutes from the end that Roger Munro struck

Olympia's fourth goal to make sure of both points.

Perry Forster played the ball inside from a free-kick and midfielder Munro placed his 25-metre shot just under the crossbar past a bemused Damon Youl in the Juventus goal.

Andrew Tassell gave Metro the lead in the 34th minute against Howrah and Sean Green added a second goal in the 70th minute

to give Metro only its third league win of the season.

Details: Metro-Clairemont 2 (Tassell, Green) d Howrah 0; Olympia-WPL 4 (Barrell, Xanthopoulos, Nichols, Munro) d Juventus-Pioneer 2 (Broadhouse 2).

Sunday's double-header and Wednesday's double-header were postponed because of adverse ground conditions following the

heaviest snowfalls in Tasmania for 65 years.

Leading Goalscorers: 19 J. Broadhouse (Juventus), R. Leszczynski (White Eagles); 13 A. Leszczynski (White Eagles); 12 J. McIntyre (Croatia); 10 G. Schueler (Howrah), P. Forster (Olympia), P. Xanthopoulos (Olympia).

Cadbury State League Standings:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
White Eagles	16	11	2	3	54	21	24

Croatia-Glen	16	11	2	3	33	16	24
Olympia-WPL	17	10	1	6	46	26	21
Juvs-Pioneer	17	10	1	6	45	31	21
Caledonians	16	6	3	7	29	46	15
Howrah	17	4	2	11	23	43	10
Rapid	16	3	3	10	18	33	9
Metro-Claire	17	3	2	12	12	44	8

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ALBURY'S BIG LOSS

THE Albury Soccer fraternity lost a courageous 13-year-old former Soccer player when Paul "Plucky" Bullock died recently.

His leg was amputated two years ago, but he still kicked his "footy" ball on crutches.

He played for Albury City Soccer club for several seasons.

When his team reached the finals in 1984 he travelled to Melbourne by air ambulance to cheer his club.

When he came out of remission he had two wishes, the first being to meet the stars of Country Practice. Paul and his family were guests of Channel Ten Sydney on July 10.

His second wish was become a teenager. The family bought his birthday forward from August 26 to July 12. Ten days later he died.

— FRANK FINLAY

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BAUMGARTNER POINTS TO CROATIA'S SUCCESS

SYDNEY CROATIA had a very successful year, winning the championship in Group 'C' in the U/10, U/13, U/14, U/15 and U/16 grades and ending runners up with the U/11 and U/12 grades.

We started with complete new teams and the boys played together for the first time.

Some of our opposition have played together for many seasons

BY LEO BAUMGARTNER

sons and had the advantage over us as far as teamwork and knowing each other was concerned.



LEOPOLD BAUMGARTNER, one of the greatest centre-forwards to play in Australia, arrived from Australia in 1958. He joined the then leading Prague club which had famous Australian players in goalkeeper Ron Lord, present National Youth coach Les Scheinflug, Kevin O'Neill and Ken Hiron.

In today's picture Baumgartner (right) is shown in a tussle with Auburn opponent Bobby Hall.

With a very hard working committee under the leadership of Nicola Prusac as president and a very dedicated team of coaches, we overcame a lot of problems before the championship started.

Our coaching staff comprised Dave Razor (U/10), Dennis Yaager (U/11), Cliff Van Blerk (U/12), Maurice Sullivan (U/13), Ron Corry (U/14), Rob Harbour (U/15) and Dick Kosca (U/16).

We had outstanding discipline in the teams and during the year there was hardly a boy missing from training.

And a lot of credit must go to the parents for bringing their boys to training twice a week to Belfield.

Some of the kids came from as far away as St Marys and Penrith.

They also helped junior finances by supporting the canteen on match days and training sessions.

Without the help of the parents, junior Soccer would not exist in

Australia not only for Croatia but as with all the other clubs. The parents are to be congratulated on their efforts.

Croatia's senior committee, with president Tony Basic at the helm, showed a lot of interest in our games and he and Vedran Rozic, the coach of the senior side, took time off sometimes from their busy schedule to watch some of our games.

Rozic, with his expert eyes, is happy with what the kids showed.

There are a few names you can mark with red letters as future national league players — or even Soccerroos.

I am looking only at this stage at the U/15 and U/16 players. D. Zilic (goalkeeper U/16), Steve Hollier (Stopper), S. Allilovic (Stopper U/16), T. Kardum (Striker U/16), S. McLean (Fullback), G. Bard (Midfield U/16), B. Radman (Midfield U/16), Y. Simic (Midfield), M. Orlic (Striker U/15), M. Mlinac (Stopper U/15), B. Krkovski (Sweeper U/15), and E. Allilovic (Midfield U/15) are real prospects.

There are many more in the younger age groups and with the right coaching and dedication they will make

the big-time, too.

My system for coaching at that age is very simple — the boys have to learn the fundamentals of the game such as passing, stopping, heading and shooting.

I believe in letting the players express themselves in a game.

We do not tell them what to do.

They have to think for themselves and read the game — the coaches job will be to correct the mistakes.

The future of Sydney Croatia in remaining a leading club in Australia look very bright and the club has given me freedom to operate and there is no interference. The support from the senior coach Vedran is tremendous.

Our U/19 youth team will get a regular supply of players every year from the junior ranks.

Even this year two of our under 16 players Steve Allilovic and Steve McLean experienced playing in the U/19s and they were up to the task.

Age does not matter if you have the talent and dedication.

Croatia is on the right track with their juniors, if one day we produce

one or two players for the NSL team or even for Australia, that will be the coaches reward.

You have to love the game and dedicate your life to it then you will make it.

That's my advice to the young players of Australia.

In the May school holidays we organised a Soccer camp, supported by King Tomislav Club giving us the ground and canteen facilities.

It was very successful as over 100 kids attended, there was Soccer all day for the whole week.

The boys where drilled by the skill of Vedran Rozic, Zarko Odzakovic, Ante Rumora, Graham Jennings, Zeljko Jurin and Ron Corry.

Croatia will make these camps a yearly event which will be a great benefit to the boys.

Not only Croatia players can attend, and we had boys from Canberra and Wollongong and many other centres.

Croatia Soccer club opens the doors for everybody to attend these camps because it benefits the juniors to be coached by professionals.

NSW SCHOOLS TO TOUR GERMANY IN DECEMBER

ARRANGEMENTS are going ahead apace for a NSW Secondary Schools team to tour West Germany.

The 18 player squad will leave on December 28, play eight matches and be billeted by their hosts.

BY KEITH GILMOUR

Fund raising is proceeding and official Glen Powell is happy over progress to date.

The strength of the team is undoubted.

Last year's Australian schools' UK tour included such fine practitioners as Scott Ollerenshaw (NSW), Ernie Tapai (Vic) and

David Hunter (Qld).

Names that come to mind for the 1986 NSW squad are Paul Quarmby, Brian Ellem, Paul Hayward and Klaus Okon.

A special competition for the Sports Factory Shield ends on Thursday night at Melita Stadium. Games are being played at 6pm and 7.30pm.

Supported as well by the ANZ Bank and Patrick, the teams represent the CHS, Catholic Colleges, GPS and Independent schools.

In a landmark decision the NSW CHS recently agreed to a Soccer sub-committee to enable these sectors of the education spectrum to work in together.

NSW has been the only state not to have overall school system representation and the change can lead to a huge widening of the base of the game.

TWO important events on the youth calendar will be happening at Valentine Park, Parklea during August, and on show will be some of the best young players in Australia.

BY ALAN VEST
NSW DIRECTOR
OF COACHING

Firstly the combined High Schools national championships will be held from the 18th to 22nd August.

Many of the players involved in the tournament are currently playing in the national youth league.

The high school competition has improved enormously in the last few years as can be seen from the successful

national high school team on their tours.

Last year's tour to the UK was a great success and many of the players involved in that tour have gone on to further improve this year.

One player in particular, Ernie Tapai has been starring regularly with current NSL southern selection leaders Footscray.

No doubt this year's tournament will be good value and the eventual national team for its tour

of Germany will be as good as its predecessors.

The other tournament is the national U/16 championships to be held from the 1st to 5th of September.

This is always a well contested tournament, and has added interest now with the emergence of our national U/16 team.

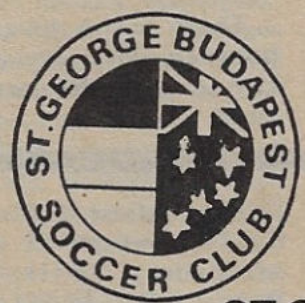
No doubt Bruce Stowell and Vic Dalgleish will be running the rule over some of their players as well as looking at other players, who are possibilities.

It's a good chance though for the people to see some of our top young players and also for club scouts to run the rule over them in a national competition.

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Amateurs, Juniors and Schools

—GLANCING OVER THE SHOULDER AT AIS' EUROPEAN TOUR—

AIS head coach Jimmy Shoulder had reason to be satisfied with the Institute's European tour although the team did not strike gold.

Here is his report, which covers three high class tournaments:

50th Blauw-wit International Tournament

Olympic Stadium — Amsterdam 16-19 May
AIS 0 — DWS 0; AIS 1 — Feyenoord 0 (Van Blerk); AIS 0 — Nottingham Forest 0; AIS 0 — PEC Zwolle 0; AIS 2 — Cercle Burges 0 (Cummings, Trimboli).

Play off for 3rd and 4th place

AIS 0 — Niederrhein 0 (After extra time) — Lost 5-4 on penalties.

We finished fourth out of 12 despite not losing a match nor conceding a goal other than in the penalty shoot-out against Niederrhein.

We were runner-up in Group A to Nottingham Forest, both teams collecting seven points but Forest having the better goal difference. Forest, whose side contained five first team players, won the tournament and were the only team to cause us problems.

We were the stronger team in all of our other matches but nervousness and lack of confidence in front of goal prevented us from converting many of the chances we created.

40th Philips Youth Tournament

PSV Eindhoven 23-25 May

AIS 1 — PSV Eindhoven 2 (Trimboli); AIS 0 — Feyenoord 1; AIS 1 — Ipswich Town 0 (Naven)

Results were disappointing with lack of composure in front of goal again preventing us from reaching the final.

We finished fifth out of eight and the overall performances in our three matches warranted a higher placing.

Against PSV we squandered three good chances before PSV scored a fluke goal from a deflection while we wasted several more opportunities before Trimboli finally popped one in.

Against Feyenoord we conceded a goal in the first 30 seconds and then pounded them for the remainder of the game. A number of good penalty claims were turned down when first Foster and then Polak were brought down as they were through on goal. Feyenoord held out and we got nothing for a stirring performance.

We were outstanding in the final match against Ipswich who again played five players with English first Division experience. Teamwork and discipline were excellent while tactically we murdered them.

They never had a shot at goal while Polak, Forster and Trimboli each missed twice when clean through and the Ipswich keeper had an inspired game.

Gareth Naven scored

our goal with a superb free-kick and we severely embarrassed a team which contained players with nearly 100 English 1st Division appearances between them.

2nd Panasonic International Youth Tournament

FC Den Bosch — S'Hertogenbosch, 30 May — 1 June

AIS 0 — NAC Breda 2; AIS 2 — Den Bosch 0 (Foster 2); AIS 3 —

Utrecht 1 (Foster 2, Trimboli).

We finished third, blowing our chances of making the final with our worst performance of the tour against eventual winners NAC Breda.

We never threatened NAC's goal and were loose in overall play with slack marking giving Breda two simple goals.

However we hit back with a vengeance to

steamroll through our final two games of the tour.

We powered through the Den Bosch team and then in a repeat of last year's final we turned the tables on Utrecht by completely outplaying them to win 3-1 with Paul Foster starring with two aggressive performances.

Friendly Match — 21 May

AIS 4 — Veenendaal

0 (Polak 2, Foster, McDonald)

Conclusion

This was a very demanding but most valuable and successful tour. The quality of this year's squad enabled us for the first time in Europe to do more than just hang in against the professionals.

Apart from the match against NAC we were never bested by any team and were a constant threat to all of our opponents.

Teamwork and discipline were excellent with all players contributing well in their allotted jobs and the only disappointing part of our game was the lack

of composure in front of goal which cost us a place in all three finals.

We were again competing exclusively against professionals, many of whom have played in their respective country's 1st Division and once again we were conceding age and experience as we fielded a squad of 17 and 18 year olds in tournaments for players up to the age of 21.

Reynolds, Cummings and Naven were outstanding throughout while the contributions of Mullen and Van Blerk, who carried out most of the unglamorous engine room work, were invaluable.

PATS PLAY SOCCER, TOO!

Fairfield Patrician Brothers College has been noted for its highly successful junior Rugby League teams, but few people would realise that Soccer is also now an integral part of the school.

BY RAY GATT

The school fielded 22 teams in the Southern Districts Association during this season. As well, the school's senior side made the fifth round of the Oak Turner Cup.

That is not a bad growth considering Soccer

was rarely played at the school about 10 years ago.

Some of the products of the college include Peter Sharne, who recently retired from the game after years of great service to the Socceroos and Marconi and Bertie Mariani, the former Marconi and Apia star.

Pictured here are just two of the junior teams involved at Pats. They are the under 10, division one side and the under 8 division two team, which made the semi-finals.



UNDER 10s: Back row: Ray Gatt (coach), Peter Piredda, Michael Zdrilic, Flavio Drouillas, Brendan Zieba, Stephen Mulhall, David Basso, Lucy Rossetto (manager), John Misitano (assist coach). Front row: Rocco Orlando, Frank Giuliano, Stephen Rossetto, Joseph Misitano, Frank Mara.



UNDER 8s: Back row: Ray Zieba (coach), Pat Mulhall (manager). Middle row: M Lamproglou, N Rappatoni, S Zidar, A Basso, M Longo, D Mulhall. Front row: N Gasparovic, P Connolly, C Zieba, S Spezza, A Fowler, C Zarif.

ROCKHAMPTON'S PRIDE IN JUNIORS

FROM RICHARD EVANS

ROCKHAMPTON has been making some progressive moves to have local school-boys gain experience in England.

The local Soccer academy has been set up and we are trying to get one boy each year training with one of the professional clubs over there.

Of the clubs approached Southampton, Brighton, Newcastle, Sunderland, Peterborough and Sheffield Wednesday have all indicated that they are prepared to take a player.

Our State Championships were held in age groups from under 12 to 15, from which players were selected to compete for Queensland in the National titles.



Guy Rigby was not only selected in the State team. He is in the Australian under 16 train-

ing squad and is a strong contender for the final squad to compete in Oceania and then hopefully the under 16 World Cup.

Other Rockhampton boys to make the grade for Queensland are Bernard Schick (U13) and Glen Sheppard and Duane Billings (U15).

COMBINED CATHOLIC COLLEGES

THE squad for the current NSW schools round robin is:

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NSW YOUTH LEAGUE QUARTER FINALS RESULTS SAT. AUG 2

U13

Marconi v Southern Dists
Illawarra v Croatia
Blacktown City v Ku-ring-gai
St George v Rockdale
Granville v Canterbury
Sutherland v Bankstown

U14
Marconi v Sydney City
Syd Olympic v Croatia
Blacktown City v Ku-ring-gai
APIA v Blacktown
Southern Dists v Polonia
Granville v Campbelltown

1-1
1-2
3-2
3-0
2-0
2-4
2-0
2-3
0-1
1-2
2-0
2-1

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Results & Tables from Around Australia

INTERNATIONAL MATCH

AUSTRALIA 1 (G Arnold), drew **CZECHOSLOVAKIA 1** (J Novak), at Olympic Park, Melbourne. Crowd 6000.

NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTHERN DIV.

MONARO 3 (S Winn, L Djordjeski, J Walsh) b **BLACKTOWN 1** (P Kay) at Gabbie Stadium. Crowd: 755.

SYDNEY CITY 4 (T McCulloch 2, F Farina 2) b **CANTERBURY 1** (B Zaimi) at Sydney Athletic Field. Crowd: 735.

NSW WOMEN'S LEAGUE

First Grade: Chipping Norton 2 b Parramatta City 1. Putney Town 1 b Manly Warringah 0. Forest United 6 b Girraween United 0.

Second Grade: Chipping Norton 2 b Parramatta City 1. Putney Town 2 b Manly Warringah 1. Forest United 5 b Girraween United 0.

NTH NSW

Wallsend 1 Highfields Azzurri 0
Lake Macquarie 1 West Wallsend 0

Adamstown Rosebud 3 Central Coast 1
Weston Workers 0 Cardiff 0

Austral United 1 Belmont-Swansea 0

TABLE
BELMONT SWANSEA Utd 31

WEST WALLSEND 30

LAKE MACQUARIE 30

AUSTRAL UNITED 28

HIGHFIELD AZZURRI 28

ADAMSTOWN ROSEVUD 23

WESTON 16

WALLSEND 12

CENTRAL COAST 11

CARDIFF 11

NSW YOUTH LEAGUE QUARTER FINALS RESULTS SAT. AUG 2

U15

Melita v Sutherland 3-0
Syd Olympic v Croatia 0-1
Blacktown City v Southern Dists 1-0
APIA v Blacktown 3-1
Sydney City v Rockdale 0-1
Central Coast v Canterbury 2-0

U16

Syd Olympic v Macarthur 2-1
Marconi v Croatia 3-0
St George v Southern Dists 1-1
Canterbury M v U. Auburn 3-1
Manly v Blacktown 1-2
North Bankstown v Canterbury 5-0

NORTHERN DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sydney Croatia	10	3	3	30	12	23
Sydney Olympic	7	3	1	29	18	22
Marconi	7	6	3	27	16	20
Sydney City	6	7	4	33	22	19
Blacktown City	7	4	6	21	26	18
Wollongong	6	5	5	18	15	17
Newcastle	5	6	5	24	25	16
St George	6	4	6	21	25	16
Leichhardt	4	6	6	15	19	14
Canberra	3	5	7	16	20	11
Canterbury	2	5	9	16	33	9
Monaro	2	5	10	13	34	9

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Brunswick	10	4	2	29	9	24
Footscray	10	4	2	24	18	24
Adelaide City	7	6	3	24	14	20
H'berg	7	6	3	28	19	20
South Melbourne	7	4	5	22	14	18
S'Shine	5	8	3	19	15	18
Preston	4	7	5	16	15	15
Adelaide Hellas	5	3	8	16	22	13
Melbourne Croatia	4	4	8	15	24	12
Brisbane Lions	3	4	9	16	22	10
Brisbane City	2	6	8	15	37	10
Green Gully	2	4	10	12	27	8

NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE NORTHERN DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AIS	16	14	1	1	75	11	29
Blacktown	19	12	4	3	45	32	28
Sydney City	18	11	2	5	39	20	24
St George	19	10	3	6	53	34	23
Marconi	18	11	1	6	37	27	23
Canberra	17	10	2	5	38	28	22
APIA L'hardt	18	7	4	7	33	26	18
Syd Olympic	18	6	6	6	27	32	18
Wollongong	17	6	2	9	29	44	14
Syd Croatia	18	3	4	11	19	40	10
Canterbury	18	3	2	13	14	48	8
Newcastle	17	3	2	12	16	36	8
Inter Monaro	19	2	3	14	14	61	7

Sunday 3rd August

MARCONI 5 (Okon 3, Markovski, El'Ali) **ST GEORGE 4** (Beluszcic 3, Kotsias)
BLACKTOWN 3 (Moffett 2, Berry) **INTER-MONARO 1** (Giannasca)
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Chilas) **APIA 1** (Parison)
CANTERBURY CITY 1 (Lemezina 4) **CROATIA 2** (A. Kovacic, Circo)
SYDNEY CITY 2 (Sharpe, Patterson) **CANTERBURY 0**

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STATE LEAGUE THIRD DIVISION

Rooty Hill v Campbelltown	2-1	2-1	2-0
Moorebank v Bondi Marine	1-1	2-1	3-1
Baulkham Hills v King Tomislav	4-2	6-1	3-0
West United v Mt Druitt Town	2-2	2-2	2-0
Granville Chile v Nth Ryde RSL	0-1	4-0	1-2
Port Hacking v Uni of NSW	2-4	0-2	Uni for

INTER URBAN FIRST DIVISION

	1st	2nd
Spanish Club v Eastwood S/A	2-3	0-6
Nineveh Eagles v Schofields	3-0	4-1
Sydney Uni v Fairfield Kiev	14-0	2-1
Concordia v Chelsea	4-0	1-4

INTER URBAN SECOND DIVISION

Rosebery v Chile Sports	1-1	5-1
Green Valley v Trasandinos	0-0	0-2
Wenty Waratah v Liverpool City	1-1	0-3
Hawkesbury Dist v Dulwich Hill	1-2	1-2
Hurstville Zagreb v Maroubra United	1-2	1-3
Pagewood v Macquarie Uni	4-0	2-2

INTER URBAN THIRD DIVISION

Robins v Colo Colo	1-3	1-3
Rangers Hadjuk v Concord Juniors	4-2	2-5
Haberfield B/D's v Greenisland	3-4	0-2
Lansvale v Blacktown Wands	3-2	3-3
Welcome v Chullora	3-2	3-2
Petersham v Sydney Maccabi	3-2	6-1

INTER URBAN FOURTH DIVISION

Luddenham Croatia v Crescent Star	1-1	1-6
Murray Farm Rangers v Macedonia Yagoona	1-1	0-0
Lithgow Workmens v Abruzzi	2-2	2-2
Cyprus United v Argentinian	1-0	5-1

INTER URBAN FIFTH DIVISION

Calabria v Santiago Wand	5-0	18-2
Cobreloa v Arncliffe RSL	1-4	0-1
Nth Rocks v Hellas Poseidon	0-0	7-1

METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIPS ROUND 11 3rd AUGUST

	U11	U12
Bankstown vs Canterbury	5-0	1-1
Sutherland vs Blacktown	2-0	2-1
Sthn Districts vs Granville	0-1	1-1
Nepean vs Illawarra	—	0-2
Gladesville vs St George	1-0	4-0
Macarthur vs Central Coast	0-2	3-1

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TABLE

Croydon 26
Springvale 26
Box Hill 24
St Albans 24
Frankston Pines 23
Fawkner 23
Morwell 20
Westons 20
Thomastown 18
Caulfield 18
Northcote 16

Ringwood 15
Polonia 12
Melbourne 12

NSW YOUTH LEAGUE QUARTER FINAL REPLAYS

TUES NIGHT
AUGUST 5 —
PEAKHURST PARK

U13
Marconi v South Dists

U16
St George v South Dists

6.30pm
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THE WOMENS SOCCER SCENE



HUGHES TOP IN PRIMARIES

HUGHES Primary won the second annual Canberra City Girls' Soccer Cup, when they defeated Melba 3-1 on penalties at Bruce, on Sunday July 20.

The final of the 18 team competition showed just how far primary school girls Soccer had progressed in its second formal year.

The introduction of an 8 a side cross half field format with special rules this year, had led to more goals and a higher standard of play.

Andrea Cook opened the scoring in the first half for Melba, but Hughes equalised through Carly Porter midway through the second.

The 11 year old Melba defender, Miranda

Crean (niece of ACTU President Simon Crean), was the star of the match and scored her sides' only goal in the shootout.

For Miranda and Melba it was second time unlucky. She was the only survivor of the Melba side that lost last years final to Lynham — on penalties.

Former Australian captain Johnny Warren presented Hughes captain Lee-Ann Suthern with the James Hardie sponsored trophy.

Those concerned about the rugged, even violent nature of our game in this country can take heart.

In 35 minutes of play there were no injuries, just one free-kick (for hand ball) and three foul throws. Not bad for a highly competitive, close and exciting cup final.

— CHRIS KUNZ



Melba before final — with coaches Neil Manson and Rebecca Kenny.



Hughes team before final — with Manageress Judy Ashcroft and coach Jimmy Hayes.

NSW & ACT LEAD GIRLS' SOCCER

IT seems that only NSW and ACT will contest the Australian Schoolgirls Championships to be held at Valentine Park, Parklea, in conjunction with the boys' championships later this month.

The total of schoolgirls playing Soccer in NSW-ACT outnumbered those playing in all the other states many dozen times over.

If the sport is to expand nationally then the other states will have to take it up.

Schoolgirls' Soccer has found many keen officials in Tasmania and as a result it has expanded considerably, especially in Southern Tasmania.

Queensland remains the state which has the potential to move ahead if the right moves can be made.

Hopes were held that Soccer could be introduced into the Queensland schools system this year but reports indicate that only four schools nominated for a proposed cup competition.

Surely the basic move is to seek the co-operation of the junior clubs of the district associations to add girls teams to their huge numbers of boys teams playing the game.

The increase will be very steady at first, but once established the pressure will transfer across to the schools to play the game.

The main point is not under whose control the girls play at weekends.

It is to get the sport going at junior and schools level, allowing the administrative process to sort itself out according to the ability of the administrators involved.

Prejudices will be struck, but the growth of the sport should be placed ahead of any side issues.

Most parents will respond to the point that people want to provide the children with sport and normally to that alone.

There is a clear pattern in view in NSW for handling these types of problems.

It has been remarkably successful, so much so that this year the Commonwealth Bank moved in to sponsor the over 200 high schools Ku-ring-gai Cup.

States such as Victoria and South Australia are starting from a low base.

Both would gain by closely examining the NSW state of the art in the many district and women's associations, as well as separately checking the school position.

Fortunately the South Australian women have set out clear plans under which they aim to increase the number of young women playing Soccer.

ANGELA SHOOT'S AHEAD

FIFTEEN year old Murray High School student Angela Iannotta will play in the Australian Nationals later this month.

Angela who has been playing for three years for Melrose Park Rangers, was selected to represent the NSW Combined High Schools' girls Soccer in the Australian National Championships.

Young Angela also has a very good chance of being selected for the senior Australian Capital Territory team since the AWWSA affiliated with the Territory a short time ago.

Her Albury coach "she must rate a great chance to be selected."



ANGELA IANNOTTA ... on the ball.



Johnny Warren presents the Girls' Soccer Cup to Hughes captain Lee-Ann Suthern.

FINALS ARE OUTSIDE THE RULES — SAY NNSW

NORTHERN NSW has objected to finals being added to the Australian Women's National Championship contrary to current rules.

The AWSA rules provide for a one round competition and in spite of various views in favour of a final they have not been changed.

The championships take place in Adelaide in early September.

Northern NSW president Allan Hampton said: "We have written to the AWSA to register our complaint as what is being done is contrary to Law 12 of the Association."

"The letter has been copied to all states so that they can take action if they wish, as well."

Competing in the 1986 championships are South Queensland, Northern NSW, Northern Territory, South Australia, Australian

Capital Territory, Tasmania and Victoria.

NSW has withdrawn its affiliation and Western Australia will not compete even though they played in the National U17 titles in Sydney.

Mr Hampton said that he doubted whether Northern NSW would object to one board member being drawn from each state.

This is a point raised by NSW before they would consider re-affiliating.

The other one involves restoration of players who were suspended after they did not make themselves available for the Oceania Tournament earlier in the year.

Letters ...

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BAD BEHAVIOR PATTERN

I WAS a spectator at the Sydney City — Croatia Soccer match at the Croatian Sports Centre last Sunday week.

I have never seen such disgusting behaviour by spectators anywhere including the Pratten Park riot last year.

Surely the ASF must have learnt something from this incident and must make these clubs responsible for their supporters. If they can't enforce some sense of sanity then the clubs should be thrown out of the league.

The National League survived without Croatia and the likes before and I am sure they would survive again without them. Perhaps they would get more normal supporters if these were banned.

Spitting, throwing full cans of beer and disgusting language are just not on in Australia.

I just hate to think what might have happened if Croatia had lost the match. The whole thing would have become completely out of hand.

Whilst a Sydney City player was laying unconscious on the park, these "people" shouted abuse and told him to get off as he was wasting time!

Having won the game, Croatian "supporters" still weren't happy so Sydney City players still had to be escorted to their cars by Croatian officials.

Come on ASF, clean the spectators up before someone is killed at a so-called game of sport.

R. Wilson,
Cabramatta.

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Wide World of Football



GREAT SOCCER STARS

FOR many there is only one claimant to the title of being the greatest player produced by Europe and that man was the Dutch Master — JOHAN CRUYFF.

This week:

JOHAN CRUYFF (Holland, Ajax Amsterdam, Barcelona, Los Angeles Aztecs)

He combined just about everything that is good in the game. He was a marvellous team man in that he could take part in combined play at the highest level.

The passing could never be too quick for him nor too slick. But then how could it be? The game invariably revolved around him. Cruyff would do the organising, dribbling, shooting, defending, striking — you name it. Not to forget that he was a captain, of the top class, always leading by example.



CRUYFF in the colours of NASL club, Los Angeles Aztecs.

Cruyff could do almost anything and most of the times did, with a lightning brain.

The truly great footballers can be measured by the amount of damage they can do in the opposing penalty area. Cruyff did as much as any. He also controlled the midfield and his artistry was admirable to say the least.

Cruyff was never afraid to dive in where it hurts, and that is what gives that edge over most as a real all-round player.

He was more of a natural leader than Pele. Pele was brilliant — natural ability but Cruyff was always a student of the game and still is as a successful manager these days.

Everything from the Dutchman started from his brain. He also was a strong personality. From time to time, there were clashes with some of his Dutch teammates. But he was so supreme compared with most of his colleagues that the best dividends came when Cruyff was left to get on with it, his way.

On the field he might have appeared arrogant. It in fact was absolute confidence.

When he moved from Ajax to Barcelona he cost the Spanish club around \$1,800,000, and pocketed a lot of that himself.

A shrewd judge of his own commercial value, Cruyff made his father-in-law his manager. And capitalised on the fact that one of the senior Ajax club officials was also one of Holland's leading tax experts.

But with a ball Cruyff could do his own talking. He was born with the gift of exceptional acceleration. Perhaps he was lucky too, to have been born with an absolute love for football.

Nobody, then, ever had to teach him ball control. He had all the skills when he joined Ajax at the age of 15.

As a club, Ajax were to reach their peak during Cruyff's manhood. He won his first cap for Holland in 1966 when he was 19.

Seven years later when he went to Barcelona he was the superstar who had guided, cajoled and inspired Ajax to win the European Cup in 1971, 1972 and 1973. Barcelona, by their high standards, were struggling when he joined them. The following season they won the Championship proving that buying class is never as expensive as it really looks.

Meanwhile, Holland were emerging as favourites for the 1974 World Cup in West Germany. But there were those worried that Cruyff playing all his football in Spain may have hindered the side ... they needn't have worried.

It is history now that Holland lost the final 2-1 to West Germany. But the defeat did not stop the Dutch being recognised as the most entertaining and individually skilful team in the tournament.

Cruyff was the star of the World Cup and displayed some of the prolific goalscoring skills that he had all his career.

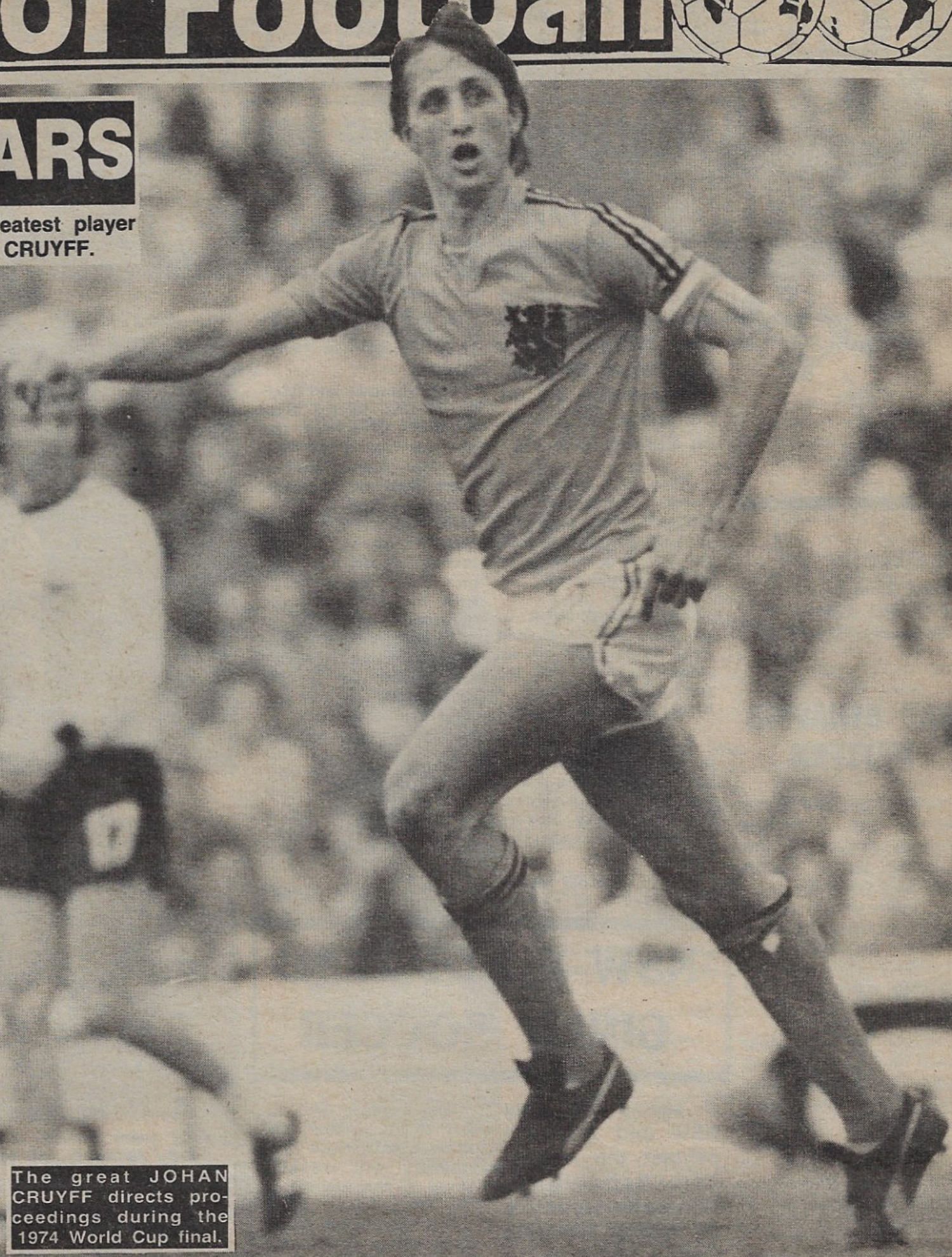
If Cruyff had played in the 1978 World Cup for Holland it is just about certain the Dutch would have carried off the Gold Trophy, he didn't and they failed against Argentina in the final.

Lean, wiry, forever twisting and turning, immensely swift off the mark — he always insisted it was anticipation rather than speed which got him first to the ball — Cruyff was never a bland character.

His first international was against Czechoslovakia, at centre-forward, saw him given a long suspension for hotly retaliating to a foul.

Simply Cruyff was a self-made player, you did not put him into a team. You built a team round him and that famous No.14 shirt which superstition demanded he wore instead of a conventional number.

The great JOHAN CRUYFF directs proceedings during the 1974 World Cup final.



ONE GRAND OLD FOOTBALL MAN

WE hear plenty about so-called Golden Oldies going on in their football lives to an amazing age and New Zealand football has one example just like any other country.

In fact ALBY TURNER may have graduated to a Golden Ancient rather than Oldie if his wife had not burnt his boots when he was 40.

"She thought it was silly that a grown man should be playing with his kids running down

the touchline cheering him on," said the Metro College stalwart.

So the shout "Come on Dad" was no longer heard when Metro played, but the Turner kids, Dave and Alison, carried on where their father left off and put on the boots for Metro.

Alby Turner also stayed around. And the club's 'grand old man' is still celebrating his 50th year with the Mt Albert based Country Foods League First Division club.

The 66-year-old enthusiast is one of the hard core workers in the

engine room of the Phyllis Street organisation and working diligently for a club he has struggled to establish.

Turner has been on Metro's committee for some 50 years and started wearing the club's colours at the tender age of six.

SOUTH AMERICAN BRIEFS ...

IN the Copa Libertadores Wanderers of Uruguay lead Group 1 after beating Penarol also of Uruguay 1-0.

They are on six points ahead of River Plate on five, Wanderers (Uruguay) 4, Boca Juniors (Argentina) 3 and Penarol on 0.

Meanwhile Barcelona of Ecuador are already into the next round from Group 4.

Their last match against countrymen Deportivo Quito was drawn 0-0.

★★★★

After three matches in Argentina, Gimnasia—Esgri-ma de La Plata leads along with Talleres de Cord, both on five points. Whilst in Chile, Colo Colo have gone quickly to their customary position on top after 4 matches with 7 points, trailing them are early leader, Universidad Catolica.

★★★★

URUGUAY's goalkeeper from the World Cup, FERNANDO ALVEZ has moved from Penarol in his homeland to newly promoted first division Spanish club, Real Mallorca.

Meanwhile in the Uruguayan Championship, Central Espanol are on top with an unblemished three wins from three games. They are being pursued by three clubs on four points, namely, Progreso, Defensor and Danubio.

A romance between a French football club president and the teenage daughter of the local mayor is likely to result in legal action by Scottish striker Ray Stephen.

Sound confusing?

Well this is how it goes ... Stephen, Dundee's leading scorer last season was all set to move to French second division club Mulhouse for a \$250,000 fee.

But the club was ordered by the mayor not to conduct any transfer deals after his 18-year-old daughter went against his wishes and decided to marry the club president.

Stephen, the unfortunate 'meat in the sandwich', returned to Scotland, signed a new one-year contract with Dundee, and said he was suing.

ONE of France's fabulous triumvirate midfielders — ALAIN GIRESE, has moved clubs.

The diminutive international, who plays so well with Michel Platini and Jean Tigana, has signed a one-year deal with Marseille.

Giresse, 33, a Bordeaux native who has played for more than two decades, said French Cup champions Bordeaux would not guarantee him a first team place for what he said would be his last season as a player.

"It is very difficult to leave my club and my

home region," said the little man, who will turn 34 in a few days.

ARSENAL and Celtic will meet at Highbury on Tuesday, August 5 in a testimonial match for 'Gunners' stalwart defender David O'Leary ... with kid brother Pierce lining up for the Glasgow outfit.

ASW's Wide World Of Football is compiled by FRANK COLETTA.

INTO INJURY TIME

June 1984: on tour in South America. Severe fracture and displacement of nose after a heavy fall. No games missed

January 1985: Manchester United v Coventry. Severe dislocation of the right shoulder with the added complication of circumflex nerve palsy. This particular nerve motivates the powerful deltoid muscle protecting the shoulder joint. Because the nerve was paralysed the muscle was not receiving electrical stimulus and so began to waste away. Arm and shoulder were supported in 'Collar 'n' Cuff'. One month later the middle deltoid fibres were still paralysed, and while running in training a compensatory injury occurred: tenosynovitis, an Achilles tendon inflammation in the left leg. This meant going into plaster for 10 days. Out of action for 48 days

February 1986: Manchester United v West Ham United. Re-dislocation of shoulder three minutes into the first half. Out of action for 56 days

November 1985: Manchester United v Sheffield Wednesday. Recurrence of hamstring injury. Out of action for 31 days

October 1985: England v Turkey. Hamstring injury to back of leg. Treated with ice and heavy strapping. Out of action for 21 days

January 1978: training. Fracture of right fibula, just above the ankle joint, very heavy strapping

February 1983: Manchester United v Arsenal. Severe tear of lateral ligaments in right ankle. Plaster of Paris applied for 17 days. Out of action for 77 days

WHEN BRYAN ROBSON, captain of England and Manchester United, played in the Mexican World Cup he wore a special brace for his troublesome shoulder. The brace apparently did little to prevent him once again damaging it. The harness was to restrict movement of the shoulder by preventing the arms from being fully raised. This diagram shows all the injuries suffered by this fine midfielder prior to his dislocated shoulder against Morocco.

In a decade of top-class playing, Robson has probably suffered more injuries than any other player. His intrepid playing style has always made injury likely and, as this illustration by Cecil Vieweg shows, Robson's body has been battered from head to toe. Research by Mary Hamlyn

October 1977: training. Fell on outstretched hand and broke fourth finger. Strapping applied. No games missed

October 1976: West Bromwich Albion v Tottenham Hotspur. A severe kick causes a transverse fracture of the lower fibula. Out of action for 80 days

April 1977: West Bromwich Albion v Manchester City. Fracture in the same place. In plaster for 19 days. Out of action for rest of season

December 1983: Manchester United v Oxford. Bruised foot in collision with an opponent's studs. Rapid swelling. Ice packs and crutches for five days. Out of action for 42 days



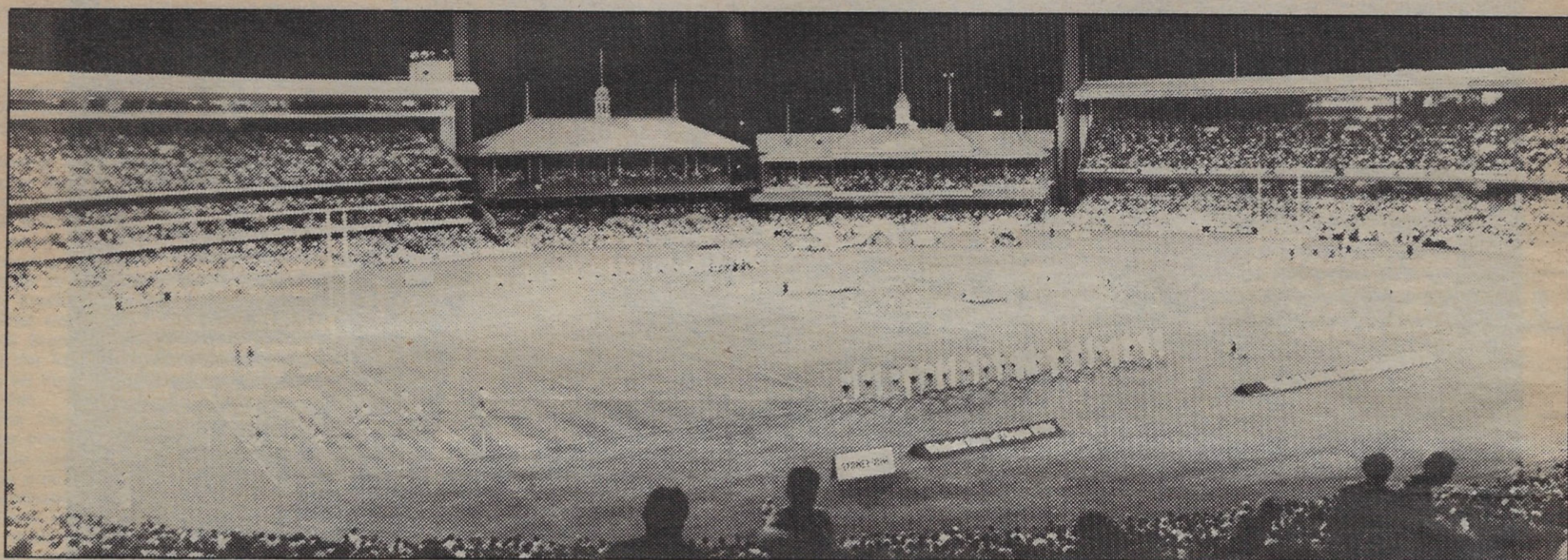
Robson boldly goes where no mid-field player has gone before at a Manchester United match

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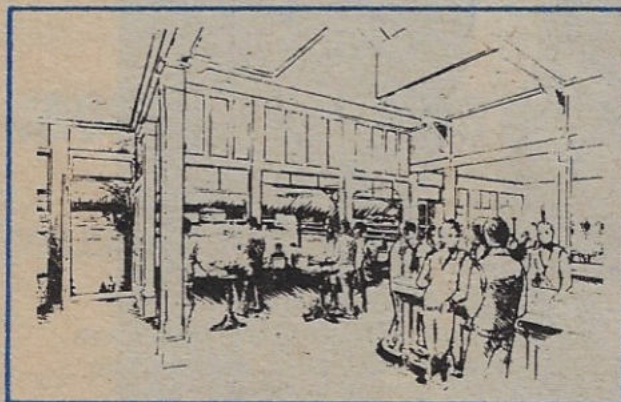
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